







near rural,

This is in answer to what you wrote in my year book. We have missed a lot of fun, but we'll make up for all of it, you wait and see. You still mean as much to me as you always have. I know you well enough to judge you too. We have had few times to gether but when we have more we will make the best of it. The best time we had together was when we went to Sacramento.

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What ever you may do or say I still can say you are mine. You may not think so but ~~but~~ I do not care what you think. So there! you can go steady with another girl and it won't make any difference to me. I can hardly wait to we make up for all the times we missed we will really tear up the town and raise cane, and have a real good time. Your mother won't care, I hope my mother won't either, I hope you really mean all those things you said, because I did. Heres with ^{all} my love.

Love you Always
Sharon



Cecil Plummer, Karl Roth, Mrs. G. W. Everett—President, Thomas K. Beard, Ian Hardie, Dr. James H. Corson—Superintendent of Schools.
Left: Dr. James H. Corson, Superintendent of Schools; Robert Elliot, Assistant Superintendent of Schools.



Modesto City School Board

Students and faculty members of Thomas Downey High School are justly proud of their fine educational program and beautiful school buildings. The Board of Education of the Modesto City Schools has made our many accomplishments possible.

Responsible to the community for the formulation of educational plans and policies, the Modesto Board of Education has, through its Superintendent, Dr. James H. Corson, and administrative staff, made it possible to smoothly increase enrollment by 200 students over last year. This year there were 1,950 students at Downey. Also, many new buildings were added to Downey this year.

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I wish
I had school now
our only place of association,
I hope you have a good time this
summer. Lots of love
Zemmy Burke



Administration

"What nobler employment, or more valuable to the state, than that of the man who instructs the rising generation."

The medieval knight began his education by listening to the tales of the troubadours and jongleurs. Later he became a squire and was placed in the home of a noble to learn the duties of a knight.

Today, the educational process is still being used. Children are sent to schools to learn from teachers and administrators. Here at Downey there are eighty-six such people. A process of "building character" takes place as the teacher endeavors to impart knowledge to the student and the administrator guides the functions of the school so that it will be of the most value to the student.

Knowledge gained in the study of various courses is only the first step in building the character of the Downey knight. Skills, abilities, insights, and understandings gained through clubs, organizations, sports, and student government contribute an integral part in the development of one's character.



Dedication

Chivalry produced a concept that changed the world. This was knightly honor. The education of the knight was directed toward the building of a strong and sound character.

As a young boy he was placed in the household of a noble where he mastered etiquette and household routine, and imbibed the lessons of honor from the tales of the troubadours and jongleurs.

At fifteen, he became a squire in the service of some knight from whom he learned the care and the use of weapons and armor, the management of horses, and the rules of the hunt.

When he had performed some single manly exploit, he was able to take the vows of knighthood, which were: to keep the faith, to do justice, and to protect the weak. Before the ceremony of knighting, he kept an all-night vigil in the church, confessed his sins, and took the oath. His lord then presented him his sword, the golden spurs, and the cross of the knight. He then smote him upon the shoulders saying: "Arise, Sir Knight. Be brave, true, and loyal." He then became a knight bachelor or a knight banneret. He then pledged allegiance to his lord and was bound to serve at his own expense in the royal host fully equipped and on horseback for forty days out of each year.

Because knighthood is the symbol upon which the traditions of this school are based, we, the students of Thomas Downey High School, dedicate the 1956 Shield to "building character," a process which began in the days of the medieval knight and is still alive today.



Principal's Message

Congratulations, Seniors, for an excellent record of achievement as a class and for the achievements you have enjoyed as individuals. It is the sincere hope of the school that you will enjoy the benefits of your training and the associations in a manner that will mean a full and meaningful life for you.

Underclassmen, you should also feel proud of the advancements made during this year. We will need to plan carefully and work diligently if we are to continue to maintain or improve upon the standards that have been achieved.

We should be thankful that we live in a community that is interested in its youth to the extent that it demands a high standard of educational facilities and program.

When we attain a fair degree of achievement in this regard, we enjoy the mutual satisfaction of success that accompanies our endeavor.

M. S. Olson



MR. ROBERT DIEHL
Vice Principal
Director of Guidance

Mr. Diehl represents the principal when he is unable to be present at meetings. He schedules all classes, handles student programming, and organizes general office planning. In the guidance field, Mr. Diehl is responsible for the development of a good guidance program and supervises group counseling.



**MRS. VIRGINIA
GARRISON BELT**
Dean of Girls

The dean of girls deals with academic and personal counseling with parents, teachers, and students; works with parent and other community groups; gives out press releases; and has an over-all acquaintance with the activity program of the school.

**MISS ASINETH
MELLIS**
Counselor

As counselor, Miss Mellis deals with many phases of human relationship. She organizes freshman orientation, assists the vice principal in administration and interpretation of tests, aids the dean of girls with personal and academic problems of girls, assists senior students with scholarships and applications for jobs.



MR. LESLIE WARNER
Senior Counselor

Senior counselors aid seniors in choosing a career, see that each senior has the necessary graduation requirements, aid seniors in obtaining scholarships and information about college, and help any senior student with personal as well as educational problems.



MRS. HAZEL GOTSHALL
Supervisor of Instruction
Senior Counselor

Mrs. Gotshall's primary duties are to assist the principal in the selection and supervision of instructors, aid in improving the instructional program, visit the classrooms to observe the educational program in action, and keep informed on educational trends.



MR. ROBERT REEDER
Dean of Boys

Mr. Reeder handles boys' problems, student programming, personal counseling, special attendance deviations, and Student Body affairs. Every effort is directed toward helping students make satisfactory adjustments to school and other environments.



MR. GEORGE PETTYGROVE
Attendance Counselor

Mr. Pettygrove is in charge of the entire attendance accounting program and makes reports for state financial aid. Home contacts about tardiness, health and welfare and conferences with law enforcement agencies about school attendance laws are his responsibility.



MRS. EDNA SPELTS
Coordinator of Student Body Activities

Mrs. Spelts organizes the school calendar of events. Activities from all clubs and organizations must be woven into a single working calendar to make the school run smoothly. She also assists with Inter-Club Council, Advisory Representatives, and radio publicity.



Front row: Eileen Pickens, Anne Green, Muriel Mickelson, Kay Conwell. Back row: Donald Lundberg, Jean Hannah, Irene Staffield, Bernadette McElhern, Albert Jones.

ENGLISH

The three years of required English consists of a combination of literature, grammar, composition, and oral activities. This department also offers courses in journalism, dramatics, public speaking, and, on the senior level, English Literature, Pacific Literature, and remedial composition.



Above: Peggy Jerrick, Foreign Language Department Head; Dorothy Shuler, English Department Head.



Above: Richard Weatherington, Speech; Edna Spelts, Speech; Peter Klain, dramatics.



Left: Alberta Keller, Journalism I, II, III, IV, and Knights' Herald. Ruth Parker, English I and Journalism V, VI, The Shield.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Spanish, Latin, French, and German are taught at Downey. Emphasis is placed on the speaking of the language as well as the grammatical construction.

Right: Dorothy Whitney, Spanish; Leslie Warner, Latin; Isabel deFirman, French.



SOCIAL STUDIES

Requirements for graduation include one year of American History and a course in Local and State Government. Some of the other courses offered are Geography In The News, World History, Current Affairs, Senior Problems, and Government In Action.



Front row: Elizabeth Angelinoff, Gladys Johnson, Kenneth Baldrige. Back row: Ed Maurice, Dick Ralph, Eugene Kraft, Dorothy Cummins.



Above: Donald Drake, Head of Science Department; Bruce Lepper, Head of Social Studies Department.

Right: Mildred Campbell, Librarian, aids students in becoming familiar with the library.



Above: Pauline Woodward, School Nurse, looks after the health problems of the students.



SCIENCE

One year of General Science, Biology, Chemistry, Applied Science, or Physics is required for graduation from Downey. Advanced Biology is open to senior students.

Left: Harry Talbert, Rudy Serrano, Marion Quessenberry, Richard Carpenter.



ART

All art classes try to give broad, varied experiences using as many media as possible, so they may provide opportunities for creative expression and discover and encourage the development of talent. This is true of all art, applied art, and commercial art classes.

Leslie Larson, Ida Gross—Department Head.

Carlington Kuglin, Graphic Arts.



AGRICULTURE

The Agriculture Department is designed to train boys to be farmers or to work at farm occupations. To do this, regular class study is supplemented by the activities of the Future Farmers of America and home-supervised farming programs.

Harold Stanley—Department Head, Walter Hanson, Stanley Diekman.

BUSINESS

The Business Education Department provides opportunities for students to major in the fields of merchandising, bookkeeping, secretarial, and clerical occupations.

Front row: Harold Hubbard, Dorothy Brown, Adelaide Chubbuck—Department Head, Zala Clark, Leone Moseley, Helen Monteith, Henry Hovanasian.



MUSIC

The instrumental music department offers beginning and advanced courses in band and orchestra as well as theory and music appreciation. The advanced orchestra plays in concert, for drama presentations, and for choral groups. The advanced band performs during all home football games and many away games. The choral department presents classes in Chorus, Beginning Girls' Glee, and Men's Glee.

Right: Kenneth Farrell—Department Head, Gladys Crane, Leigh Kimball.



AUTO BODY AND PRINTING

Courses in Auto Body and Printing are offered at MJC. C. C. Atwood teaches Auto Body and Sam Price teaches Printing.

HOME TEACHER

If a student is physically unable to attend school, but is able to study, he may have a home teacher. Florence Holden (right) works with students at home so that when they return to school they are up to date with their class work.



MATHEMATICS

Some of the courses offered in this department are Algebra I, II; Trigonometry; Plane and Solid Geometry; and Practical Mathematics.

Front row: Dorwin Lueth—Department Head, Melborn Simmons, Stella Giovanetti. Second row: Henry Proctor, Richard DeWolf, Leila Prothero.



Marilynn Ballinger, Jean Hallett, Genevieve Kulina—Department Head, Barbara Steele.

GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

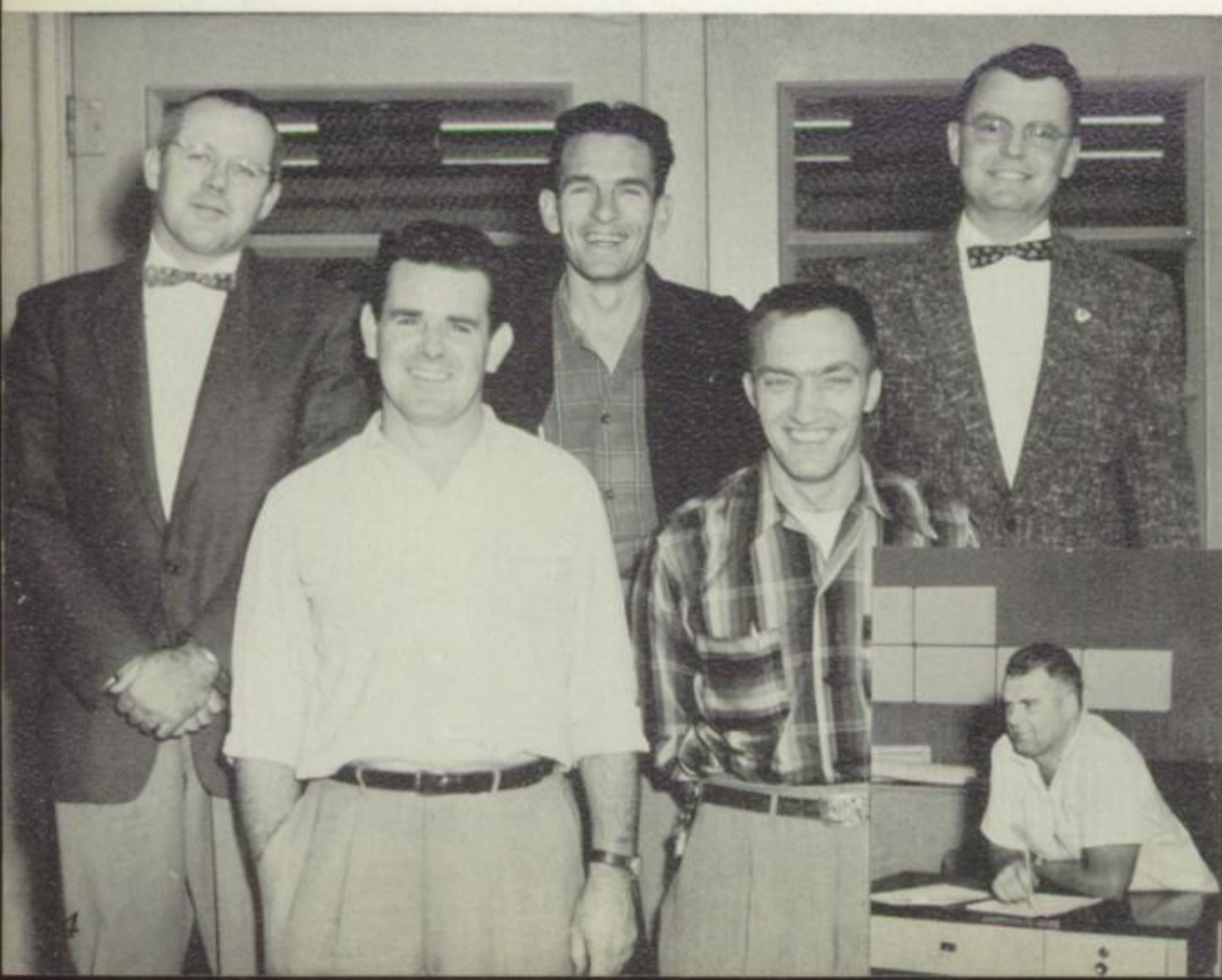
The freshman and sophomore classes participate in team and individual sports, rhythms, tumbling, and apparatus. Junior and senior classes elect, as far as facilities, space, and class size allow, the activity they prefer. A co-educational program of rhythms, volleyball, softball, and games is included.



Inez Lemmon—Department Head, Shirley Hansen, Helen Allison, Madelyn Williams.

HOMEMAKING

Specialized courses in this department include Clothing I, II, III; Tailoring; Foods I, II, III; Cafeteria Foods; Home Management; Home Nursing; Home Decoration; and Child Care. General homemaking courses are Homemaking I, II, III, and IV. There are also many possibilities for electives.



INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

This department provides instruction in Auto Body, Electricity, Auto Mechanics, Machine Shop, Mechanical Drawing, Printing, Woodwork, and General Shop. In General Shop, instruction is given in Woodwork, Metalwork, Arts and Crafts, and Plastics.

Front row: John Ingram, Lloyd Raymond. Insert: Richard Knox. Back row: Louis Schwark — Department Head, Loyal Smith, Robert Hawkins.

BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Four years of physical education is required for graduation from Downey. The program in the regular physical education classes consists of the Downey Decathlon, football, basketball, softball, volleyball, tumbling, track, and individual activities. The intramural program is held after school and offers competition for boys who are not out for after-school athletics.

Front row: Kever Jankovich, Tom Domitrovich, Lyle Iverson, Charles Johnson. Back row: Joe Myers, Charles Hughes, Robert Ijams — Department Head, Robert Taylor.



SECRETARIES

Letha Cronan acts as switchboard operator and general office receptionist. Ruth Doerksen is secretary to the vice principal but her main job is to maintain student records. Lorena Lindholm is the secretary to the principal and office supervisor. Vera Winger is the bookkeeper.

Front row: Ruth Doerksen, Vera Winger. Back row: Lorena Lindholm, Letha Cronan.



As counseling secretary, Barbara Potts registers new students, acts as secretary to the counselors and receptionist for students seeing the counselors, keeps files and personal records. Imogene Peck and Stella Lawrence assist the attendance officer in keeping records, filling out student slips and classifying data.

Stella Lawrence, Imogene Peck, Barbara Potts.





CAFETERIA STAFF

The cafeteria staff is headed by Wilma Cutlip. She is assisted by a staff of five women. In addition to the hot dishes served daily, the cafeteria offers hotdogs, hamburgers, sandwiches, gum, candy, and ice cream. Students are employed each year to help with serving and clean-up.

Left: Ida Fagervick, Freda Denlinger, Thelma Cutlip, Betty King, Ruth Clayton, Gertrude Carpenter.



Wilma Collett—Book Room Attendant and Martha Har-die—Library Clerk.



CUSTODIAN STAFF

There are thirteen members of the custodian staff. Jim Nevitt is the head custodian. These people spend their days keeping our halls as clean as possible and fixing repairs like broken windows and locks.

Front row: Athea Bearden, Marshal Briden, E. G. Scovel, Andy Ramono, Otto Pellegrino. Back row: Lee Schnay, E. L. Cooper, Charles Bearden, Barnie Ray, Jim Nevitt, John Ford, Arron Grisby, Dan Love.

Faculty Snaps

Left: Happy, Happy K. P. Duty!

Hazel Gotshall, Ruby Serrano, Asineth Mellis, Dick Carpenter, Don Drake.



Right: Dick Weatherington as Dad Rango from Em-pi-re.



Left: "All the World's a Stage"—But, Oh, That Acting!! Peter Klain.



Right: Now You See It, Now You Don't. Could It Be in Olson's pocket?



No Time For Snapshots! Leslie Larson.

Left: Our Very Reliable Helper, Carlington Kuglin.

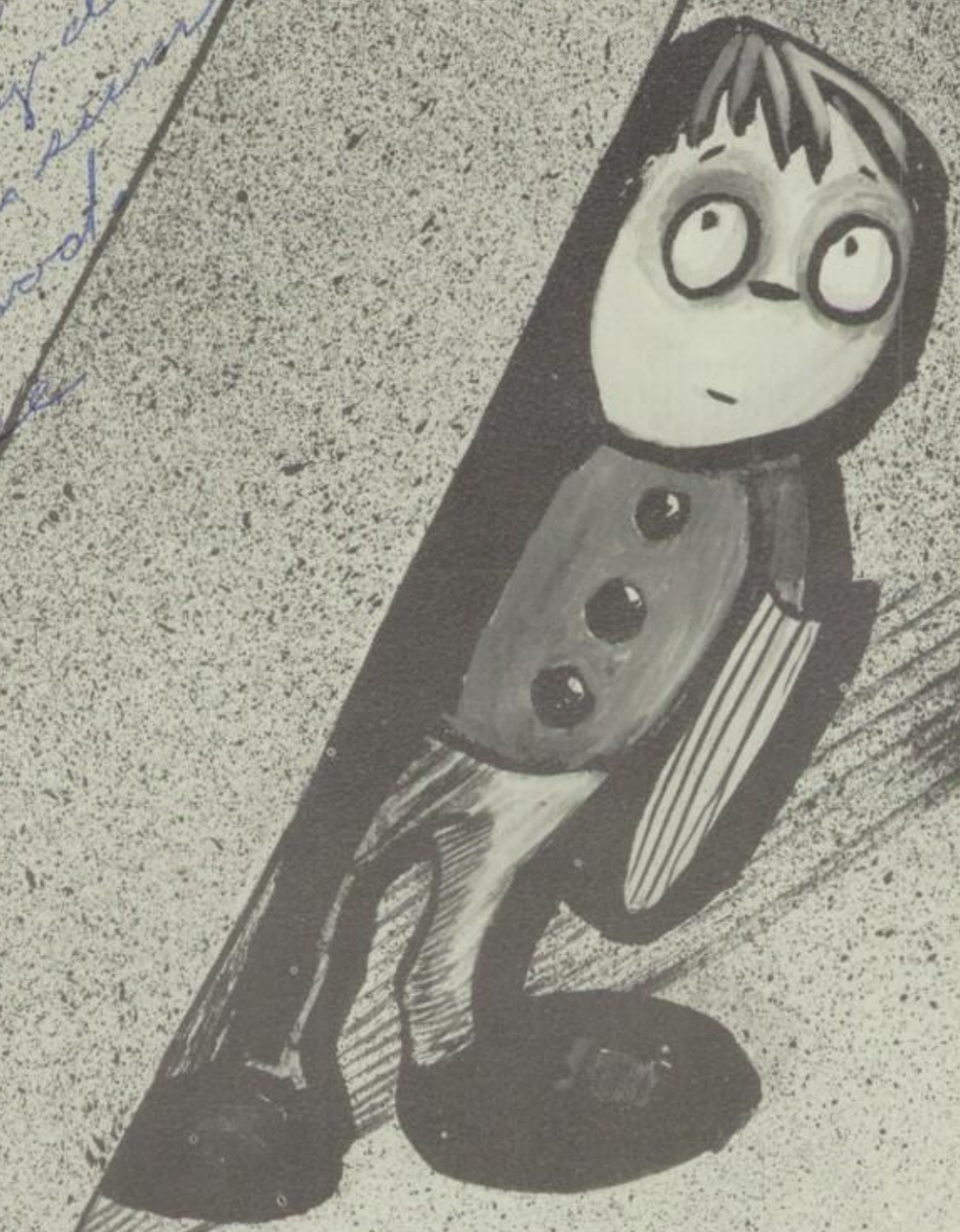
Right: Happy Birthday, Milfred Olson and George Pettygrove.

Left: "Life Gets Tedjus, Don't It?" Robert Reeder.

Right: Ruth Parker "dictating" again!



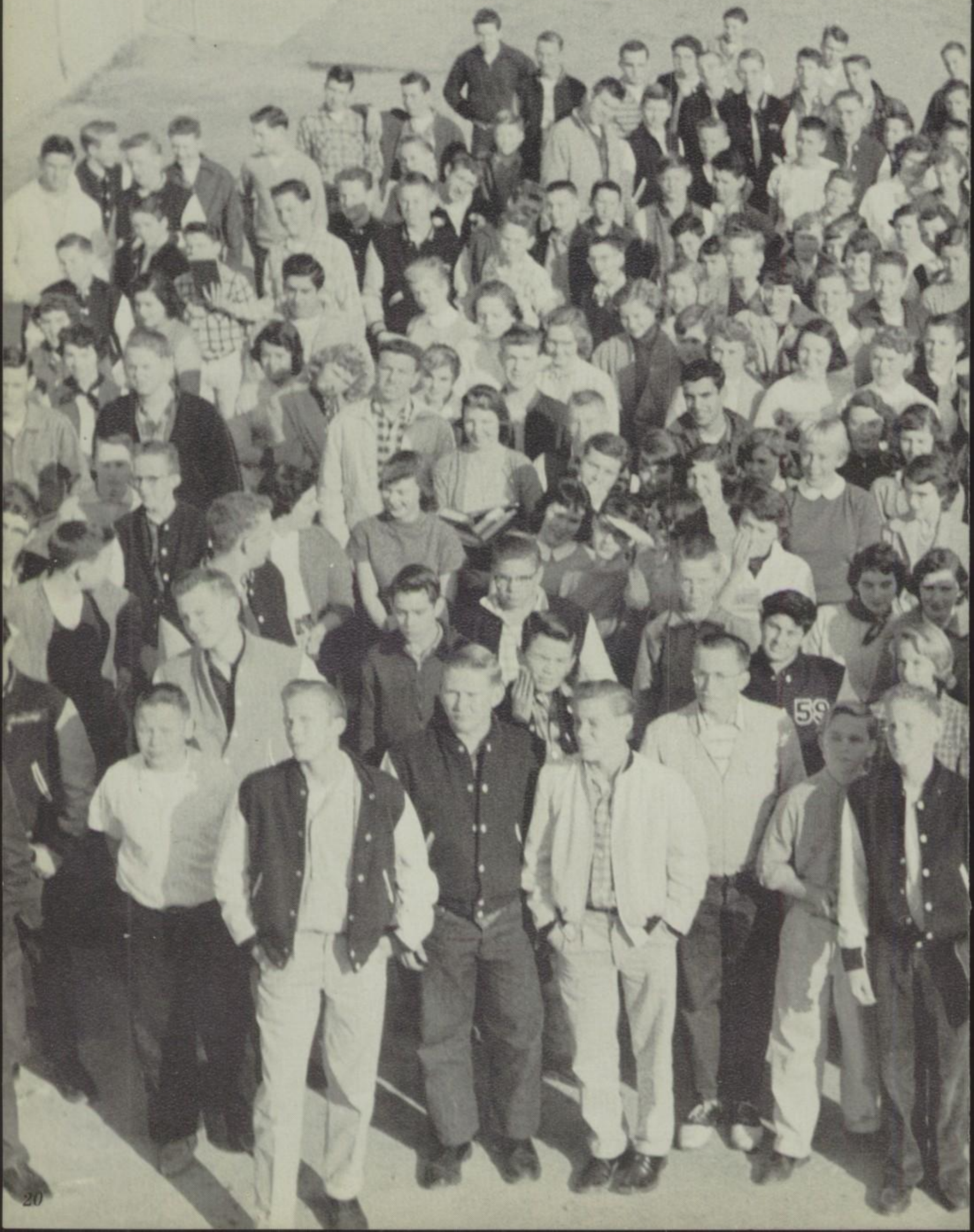
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Freshmen

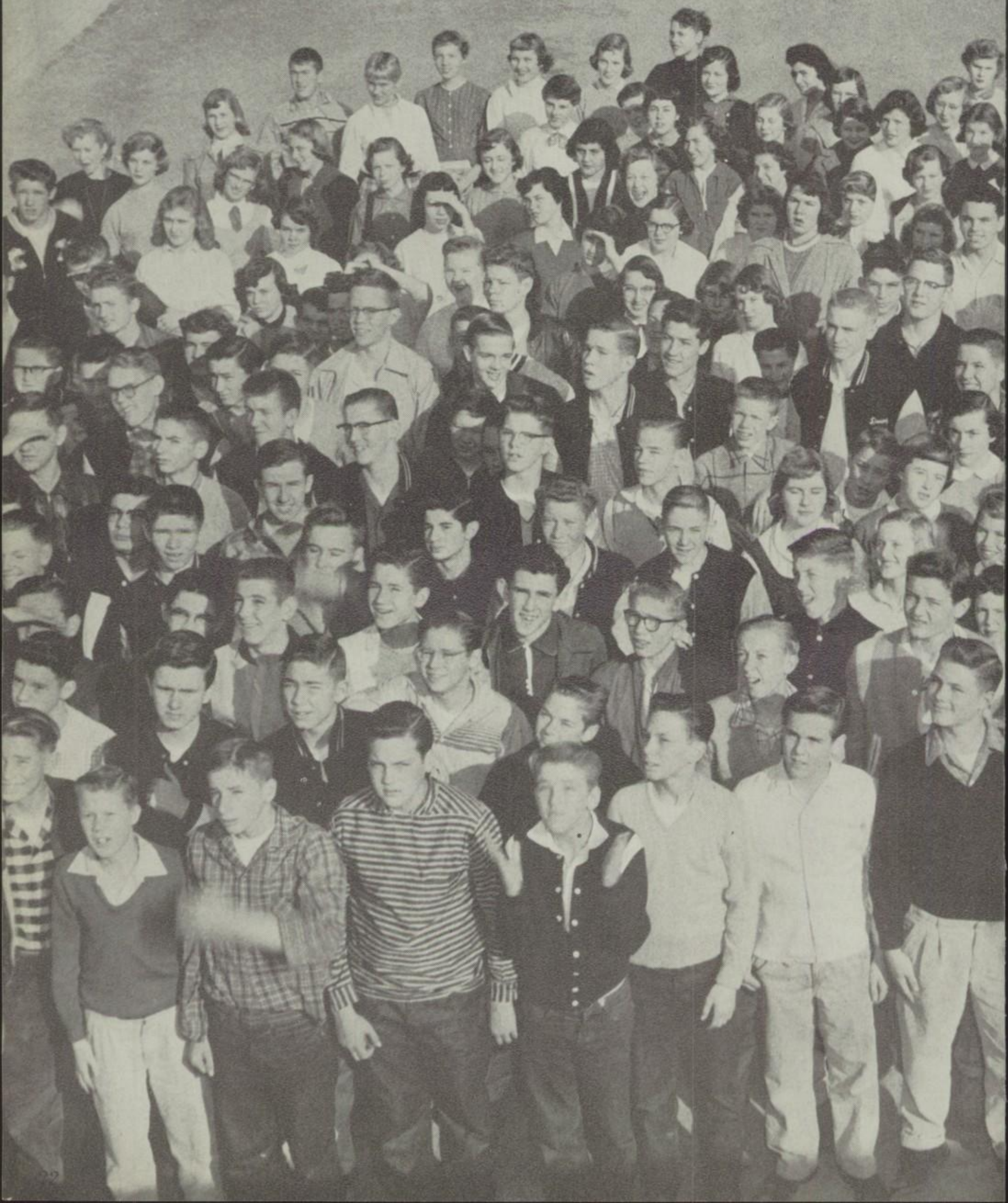
The medieval page had to pass through long years of training before he could become a knight. This training began when he was a small child. Among the many things that a page had to learn before he was fourteen or fifteen were: proper manners, respect for the church and the religion, and the proper battle techniques. If his lord went into the field of battle, the page went with him to help in every way he could. He had to learn how to use a sword, lance, and bow, and how to swim, box, and fence. During the seven or eight years that he was a page, the boy was always looking forward to the time that he would become a squire, the next step toward knight-hood.

Thus it is with the Thomas Downey High School knight. As a Freshman, working closely with the student leaders of his class, the student helps to further his class relationship. As a highlight of the year the Freshman class sponsors a dance. The class officers help the students integrate into the pattern of school life and the class as a whole contributes greatly to the school spirit and the further development of the school.



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BEST ALL-AROUND FRESHMEN

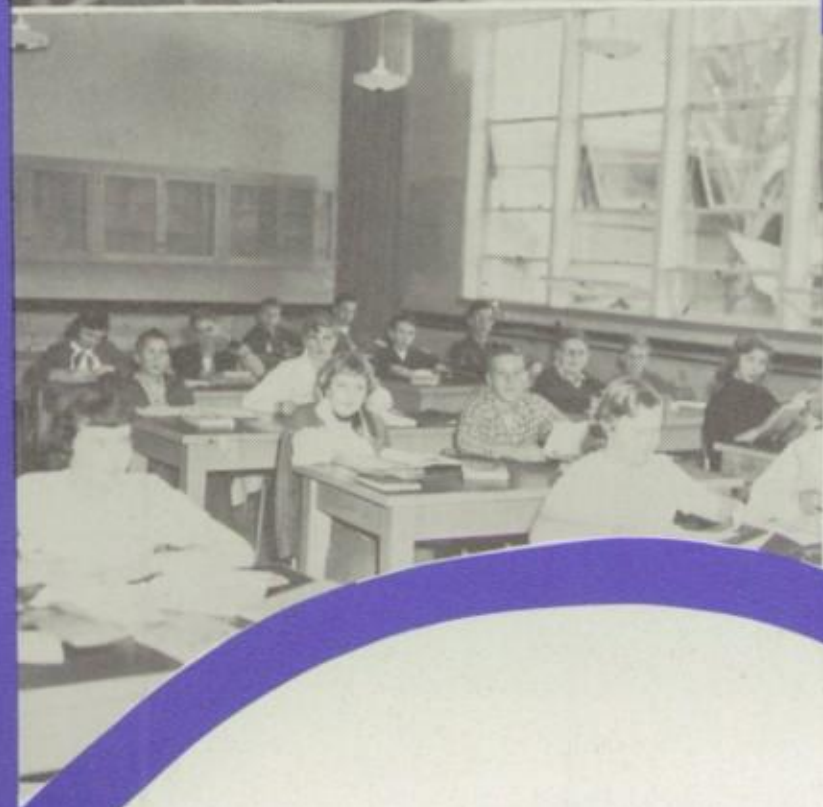
Karen Starn
Kathy Salter
Dick Thompson
Mike Downey

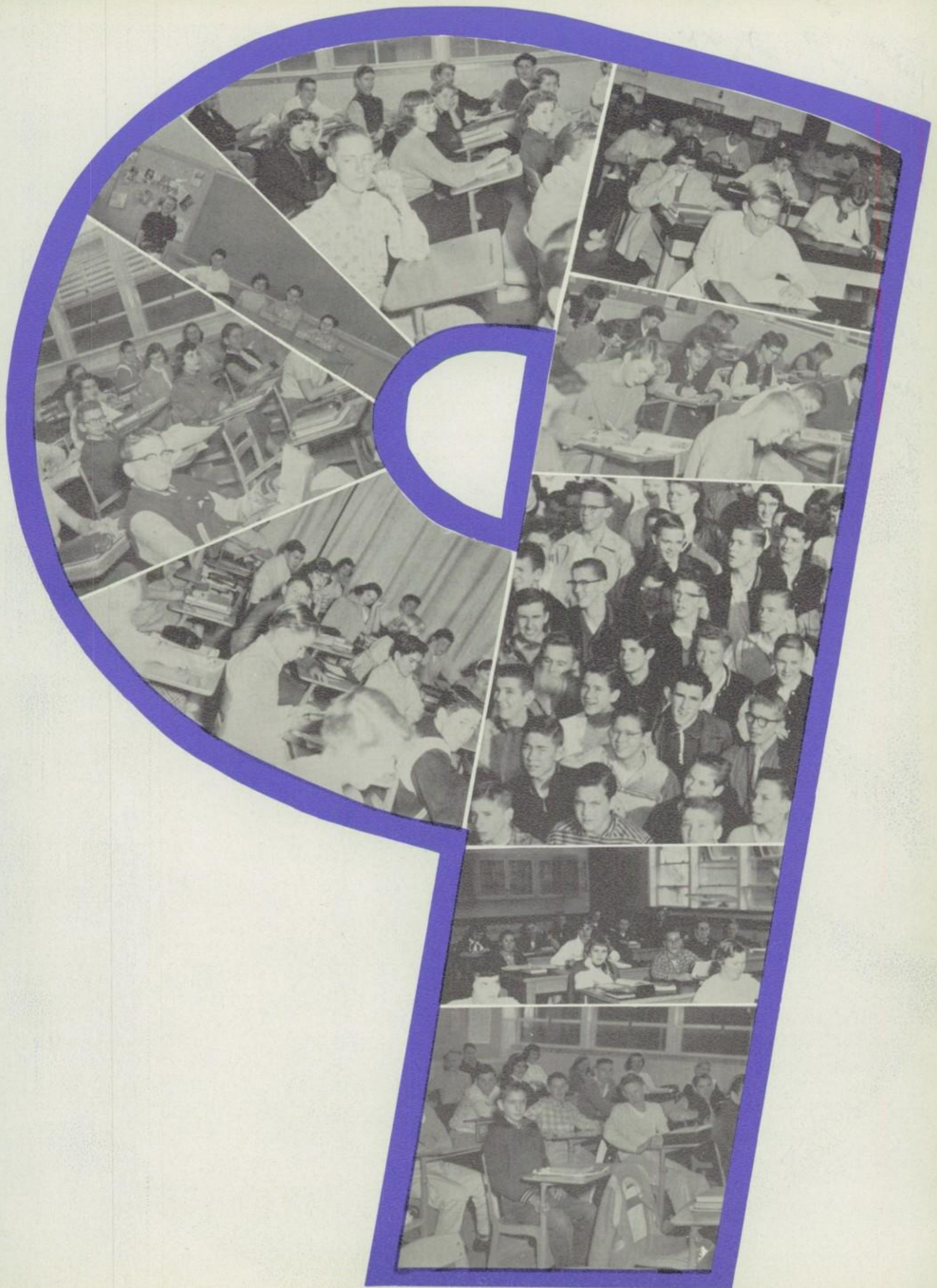
FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

Judie Bomberger, song leader; Tom Pitre, yell leader; Mike Downey, president; Karen Starn, vice president; Linda Landini, secretary-treasurer.









Break —
the even with
anything in front of
you. Hope I see you next
year. I might get a class with
you. Have a nice summer. Good
luck in the future.
Bruce Huber
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Sophomore

As a squire the medieval knight continued the exercises of his days as a page but he gave much more time to them. He was taught to wield the great battle-axe, to endure the weight of his armor, and to move about in it easily.

Each squire in turn became the "squire of the body," that is, he was the closest attendant of his lord. When his master went to the field of battle, the helmet was often entrusted to a page, but to carry the shield and armor was the task of the "squire of the body."

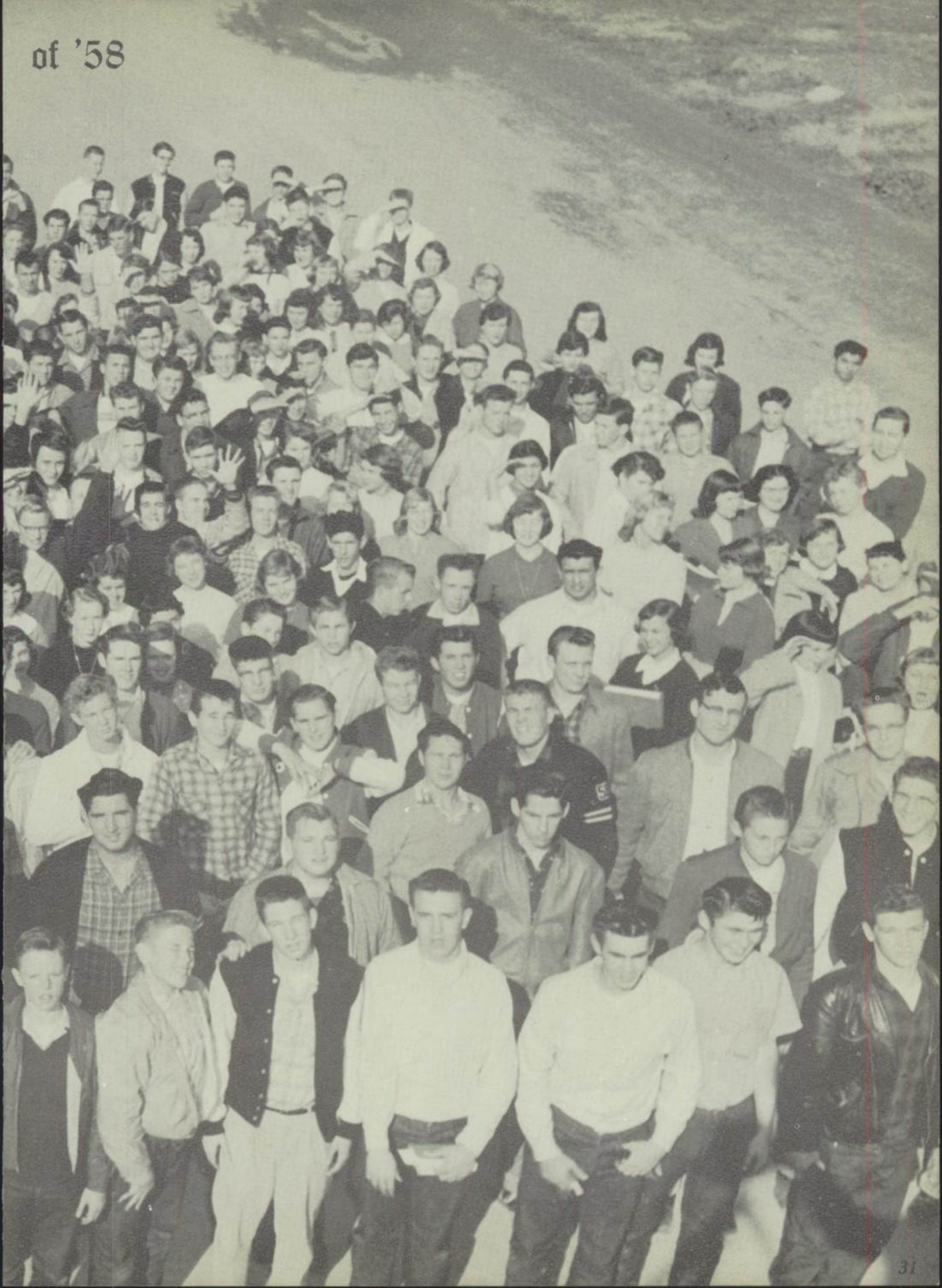
Every knight had his pennon. If he had given long service and had many followers, the points of his pennon were cut off, leaving a square banner. A squire needed to have his wits about him, for if the knight dropped his weapon, the squire must catch the horse or furnish a fresh one. If the knight was attacked by several opponents at once the squire was required to come to his aid.

As a Sophomore the Thomas Downey High School squire takes an active part in the activities presented for the students. The Sophmores themselves sponsor a dance and also take an active part in the annual talent show. Class officers lead the students in their many duties as Sophomores so that, tasks completed, they will be ready to assume the responsibilities of a Junior.

Class



of '58





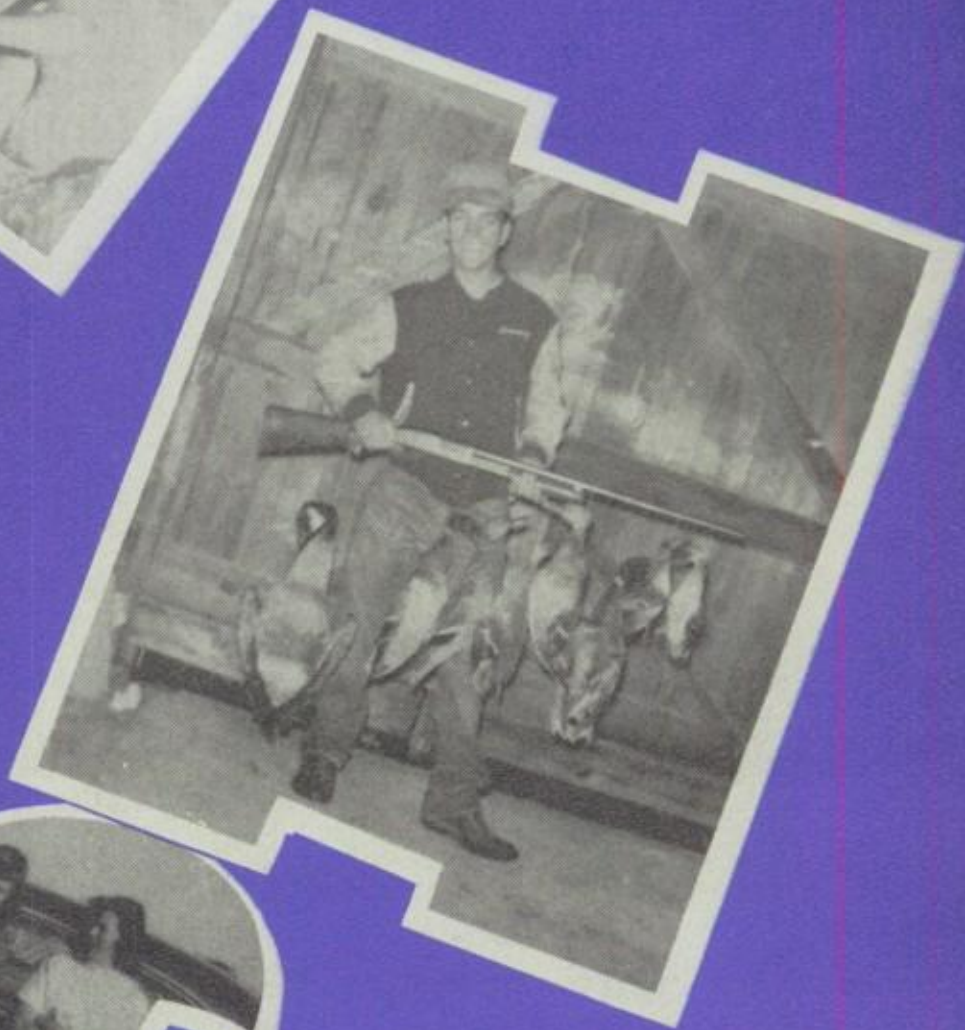
BEST ALL-AROUND SOPHOMORES

Steve Hamilton
Judy Barnes
Gay Hilgeman
Bob Jenkins

SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

Back row: Carolee Smith, song leader; yell leaders: Jerry Franklin, Joe Ford, Mike Barker and Terry Frowein; Dick Norquist, sophomore representative.
Front Row: Chuck Keith, vice-president; Pete Katsufakis, president; Judy Barnes, secretary-treasurer.











Juniors

After the young squire became a knight, he remained in the castle of his lord for a time or he went back to his father's home.

There were several ways in which a knight might prove his worthiness to enter chivalry. The simplest way was to mount his horse and ride out in quest of adventure. The country was wild and rough. Deeds of violence were common and the young knight might find adventure waiting for him.

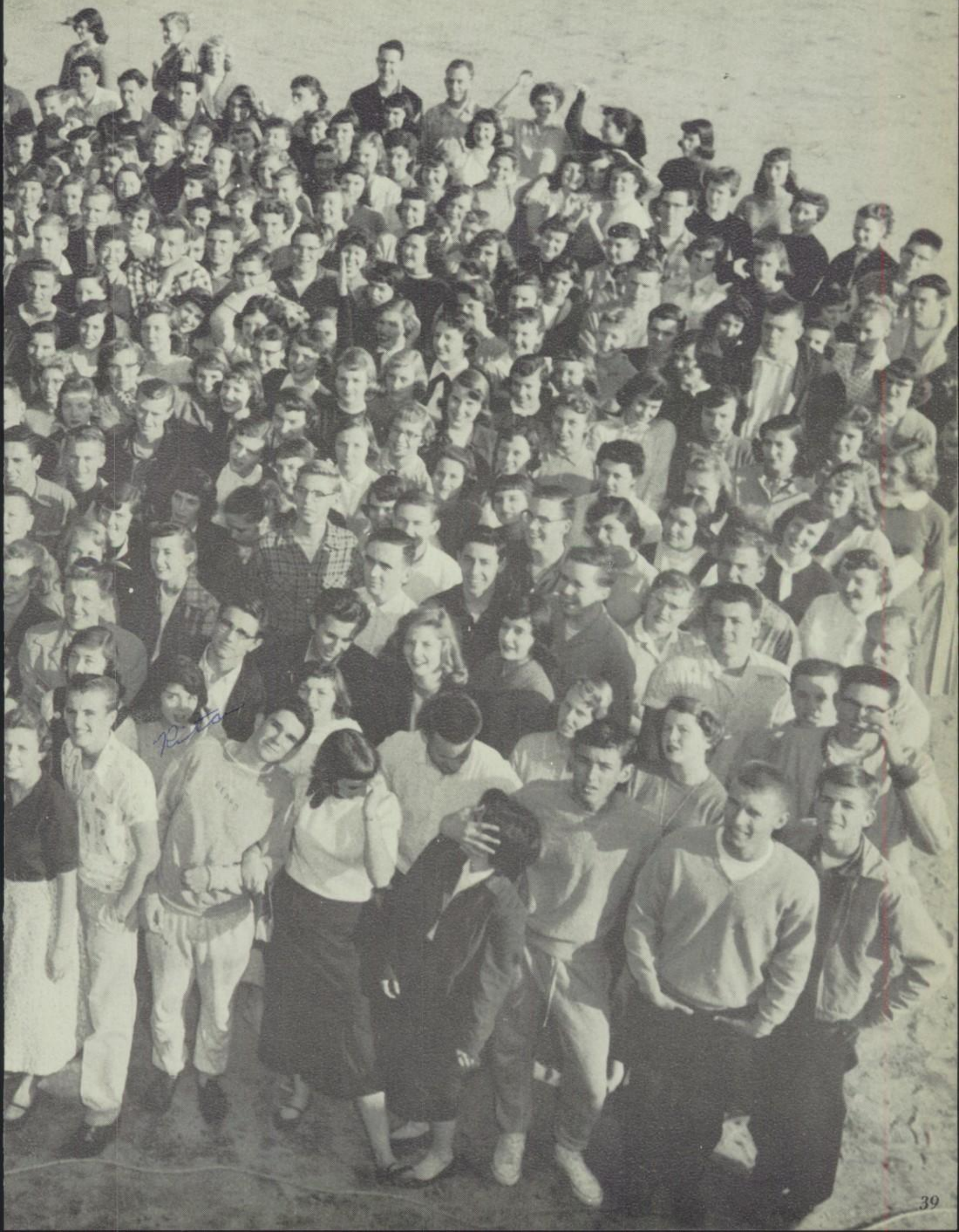
It was a sight well worth seeing when a knight mounted his steed and galloped away from the castle. He carried a shield large enough to protect his body and to serve as a litter on which, if he was wounded, he could be carried from the field. All the while, the knight looked forward to the day when he would be presented with the "Golden Spurs" and become a "Sir Knight."

The Juniors, or Downey knights, who have only one more step before becoming a "Sir Knight," or Senior, sponsor the Jr.-Sr. Prom in honor of the Seniors. Contests are held in order to find an original idea for the decoration and the theme for the Prom. Every Junior can enter by submitting an idea. The Junior looks forward with great anticipation to becoming a "Sir Knight" and this he does after fulfilling the necessary requirements.

Class



of '57





BEST ALL-AROUND JUNIORS

Pat Walker
Marcus Carter
Joy Ferreria
Ed Davis

JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Back row : Leighton
Smith, junior represen-
tative; Nancy Fernow,
treasurer; Mary Jane
Hardie, secretary.
Front row: Ron Nelson,
president; Ron Ursini,
vice-president.







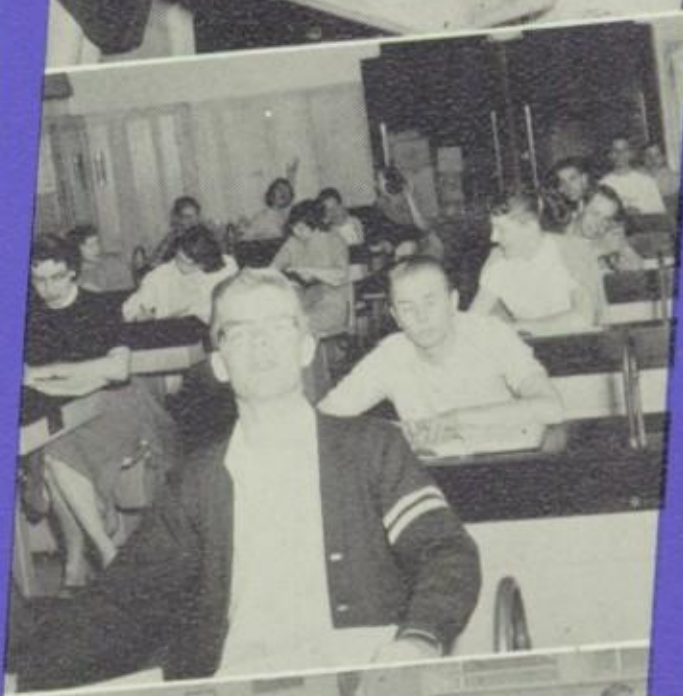


To the guy that really
could pull the jokes.
Lots of luck in the future
John Ruffino (88)

- Rural -

I'm so glad that
you signed my book
in such a sweet
way. I really didn't
expect it. (HA! HA!)

I think you are
very neat and slick.
I hope I see more
of you next year.
Love and luck to
a real nice guy.
P.S. Please Carol Hahn
excuse WRITIN - "57"





Clubs and Activities

Many activities were enjoyed by the medieval knight. It was not unusual to see knights riding to the chase with their hunting dogs; knights gathering at the court of a king or a baron for the rendering of homage, or going forth to war in glittering armor and mounted on gaily caparisoned steeds with pennons flying and followed by squires and yeomen. Each knight was dressed in his particular costume. When the knights assembled for the tournaments—those military games which were the great athletic events of the Middle Ages and which were held in the lists similar to the modern stadium, the galleries became filled with ladies in colorful and extravagant costumes.

Today, clubs and activities play an important part in the life of the Downey High School knight. These organizations offer an outlet for the students for their interests and hobbies as well as providing an opportunity for social functions. Also, clubs help to create an informal relationship between the students and the faculty and provide an excellent opportunity for developing worthwhile projects for the benefit of the school, students, and community.

Each club sends a representative to Inter-Club Council. This body works closely with the administration in deciding the individual clubs activities.

Press Club

The object of the Press Club is to build an interest in creative writing and to stimulate an overall interest in journalism. The members of the Press Club are connected with either the Shield or Knights' Herald. This is the time when they gather their material for publication. During the spring semester, they organized an advisory for the staffs to meet together. Below: Larry Bevier, photographer for the Shield and Knights' Herald.



Back Row: L. Dovici, B. Briggs. Middle Row: P. Plummer, F. Deniz, L. Lionadakis, J. Ferrera, C. Barnett, D. Duckart, J. Simis, J. Hudelson, J. Morrison, Miss Keller. Front Row: M. Ray, P. Sanford, S. Rose, J. Edin, F. Rossi, P. Ewin, S. Taylor, J. Wakefield, B. Kronmiller. Advisors: Miss Parker and Miss Keller.

Back Row: G. Schilder, Z. Wheeler, N. Weeden, E. MacDannald, P. Worley, G. Sumpter, K. Maples, M. Windham, A. Hooker, C. Linn, J. Miller, G. O'Neill, Middle Row: Mrs. Chubbuck, D. Hill, H. Gomes, G. Fagunder, D. Parker, D. Patton, C. Freeman, S. Loring, G. Gregory, Z. Serpa, J. Lambert, M. Ney, R. Roberts, F. Deniz. Front Row: Mrs. Monrieth, S. Traphagen, J. Runyan, M. Neri, D. Bispo, S. Swanson, B. Sturm, J. Tighe, V. Fifield, K. Loring.



Quill Club

The purpose of the Quill Club is to provide a greater interest in the business world. It wishes to bring all of the girls interested in the commercial field together. The group meets during advisory and also has some night meetings and installations. The club is made up mostly of girls who have a business major.



Debits and Credits

The Debits and Credits Club is a club for students interested in bookkeeping. This year, they gave Thanksgiving baskets to the needy, Christmas toys for the Children's Hospital and, in the Spring of the year, treated all of the teachers of Downey to refreshments after school to show their appreciation of the services and kindnesses which the teachers have shown.



Back Row: Jerry Hayes, Creya Turley, Beverly Azevedo, Geraldine Magadino, Anita Nannini, Zeldina Serpa, Willa White, Betty Hager, Jeraldine Layman, Janet Cree, Jack Damm, Lester Murry. Front Row: Mrs. Brown, Carol Freeze, Darlene Lennings, Carolyn Sargent, Icel Gilton, Evelyn Champ, Alfrieda Hartzell, Jeannette Schub, Sally Masterson, Sharon Christmann.

Back Row: Terry Emerick, Norman Allen, Roger Larson, Dick Goodwill. Second Row: Rosemary Carter, Marcia Schimpf, Nancy Loper, Betty Williams, Nona Benson, Vickie Grass, Barbara Grass, Janet Store, JoAnn Carver, Alfrieda Hartzell, Jeraldine Layman. Front Row: Donna Jones, Margie Moon, Irene Porter, Mary Bowling, Pat Hernandez, Alice Farr, Dorothy Herman, Dolores Lee, Joann Snook, Mrs. Campbell.



Library Club

The purpose of the Library Club is to sponsor a greater interest among the students in the use of books and in library service, to stimulate reading interest, and to improve the library service of the school. Activities of the year consisted of an installation of officers, a concession at a football game, and a Christmas party.



FRENCH CLUB

The French Club is devoted to their adopted orphan, Philippe. Since he has had tuberculosis, ten dollars each month sent by the French Club helps to send him to a summer camp for children who are stricken with the disease. The club's activities included a spring banquet and exchanging of plays with the French Club at Modesto High School.

Back Row: Gary Gilbert, Buzz Marcetti, Dave Johnson, Ken Reeves, Kerry Ostusus, Al Hansberry. Middle Row: Jeannine York, Elizabeth Vrh, Linda Miller, Pat Bowen, Penny Corish, Julie Merrill, Laura Spyres, Jovanita Dieu, Phyllis Fowler, Mrs. deFirmian. Front Row: Jeanne Howe, Margie Moon, Ann Badger, Pat Lorrain, Mary Fairbairn, Beth Dolan, Norma Whorley, Pat Tate, Jean Maley.

Back Row: Dick Wildberg, Gail Prickett, Keith Sargent, Lothar Burchardt, Dick Goodwill, Denny Bare, Gaar May, Mr. Warner, Scott Paine, Robin Burge. Front Row: Leigh Price, Bill Chenuulworth, Beth Dolan, Sue Muench, Sandra Knight, Judy Gladen, Roy Morgareidge.



LATIN CLUB

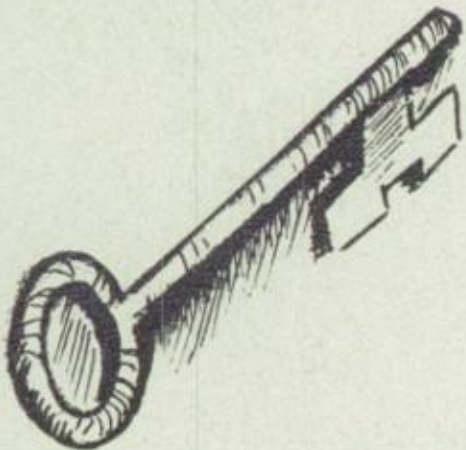
The purpose of the Latin Club is to promote interest in the classic languages as well as to develop appreciation of ancient Roman cultures and civilization. This year the Latin Club had a hayride, a swimming party, and the annual Latin banquet which was held in March. The Latin Banquet illustrates life in ancient Rome.

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club has many purposes. It seeks to encourage the practice of Spanish and to familiarize its members with the customs, the literature, and the arts of Spain and Spanish America. The Club studies the friendship between those countries and ours. The motto of the club, "Saber es Poder," simply means "Knowledge is Power."

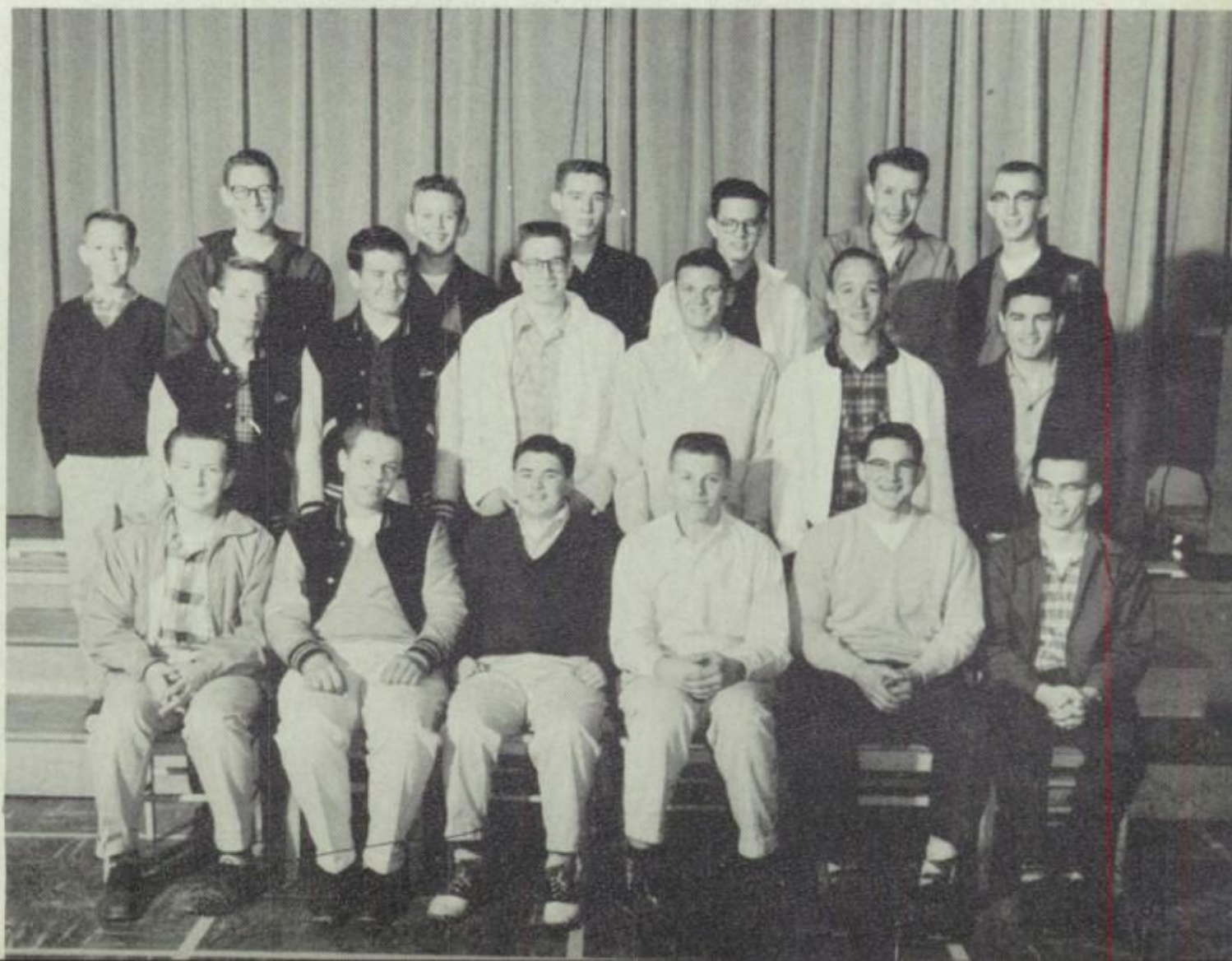


Back row: R. Ursini, F. Pedota, B. Harader, G. Sandy, G. Houser, B. Baird, B. McCusker, D. Simm, M. Dunker, J. Griffin. Second row: Mrs. Jerrick, advisor, C. Ferrera, N. Brooks, L. Atwood, M. Whala, S. Rice, C. Tranna, A. Raymond, F. Moore, B. Heath. Front row: D. Lee, S. Scharnberg, M. Moore, D. Benson, S. Taylor, D. Luiz, J. Hudelson.



KEY CLUB

This Club is one of many such clubs affiliated with Key Club International sponsored by Kiwanis International, one of America's largest service clubs. The club is primarily a service club benefiting the school and community in various ways. Last year it sponsored Vocational Guidance Day and published a student directory. The Block "D" in the main hall was a Key Club project.



Back row: R. Gill, P. Falter, G. Ashton, B. Beyer, M. Dunker, E. Riffenberg, G. May. Second row: D. Norquist, B. McCusker, N. Bradley, R. Gaarde, G. Nessier, P. Kapusansky. Front row: B. Boring, T. Norquist, R. Ursini, G. Hoser, S. Stewart, K. Kline, Advisor: Mr. Pettygrove.

CURTAIN CALLERS

The Curtain Callers is composed of drama students and former drama students still at Downey. Membership requirements include one semester of dramatics. Seniors taking dramatics for the first time are eligible for membership immediately. Members of the Curtain Callers provide the nucleus of the casts, directorial staffs, and the production staffs of the Downey plays.



Back row: J. Lentzakis, M. Just, P. Merenda, S. Shull, F. Burkner, K. Hudson, R. Cherrier, D. Johnson, D. Talbot, R. Starn, P. Smither, F. Perine. Second row: J. Heim, M. Heckendorf, J. Ferreria, L. Miller, L. Stewart, B. Schoefer, M. Queen, J. Bates, B. Reed, P. Schmidt, J. Gladen. Front row: S. Lopez, P. Hedegard, G. Ford, J. Wray, S. Ebie, D. Anderson, S. Sears, P. Ewin, K. Johansen, N. McCain.

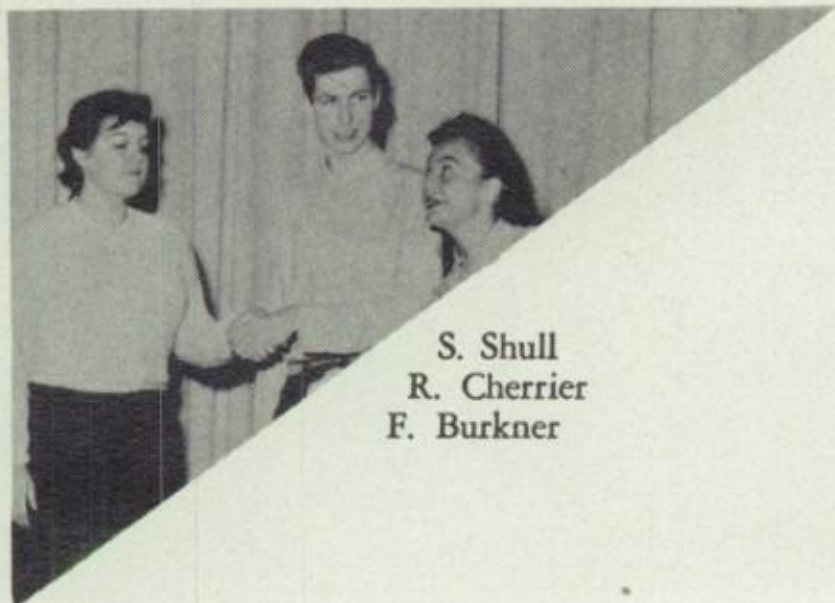
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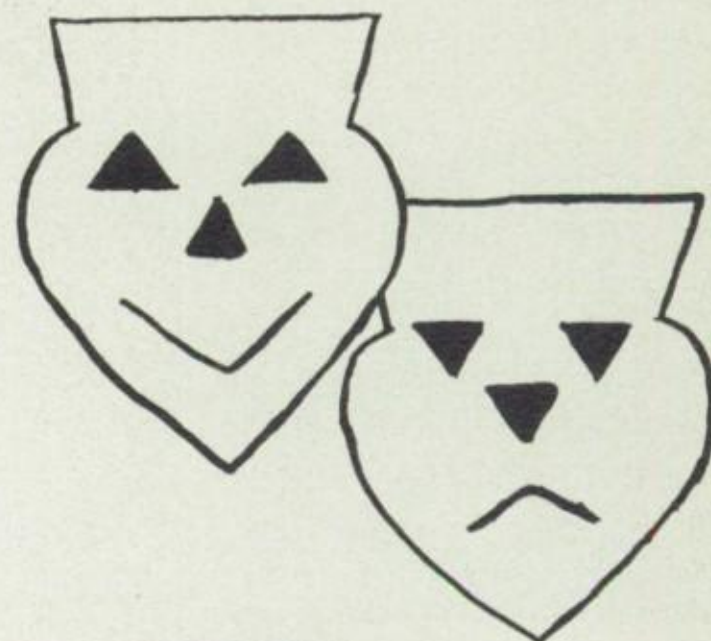
THESPIANS

This is an organization chartered by the National Thespian Society. The members of Troupe No. 1002 provide leadership and inspiration to those who desire to excel in the dramatic arts through a yearly production of a three-act play and through encouragement in the study and use of new, different, and varied techniques of acting and production.

BYLINE for ST. LUKE



S. Shull
R. Cherrier
F. Burkner



CURTAIN CALLERS

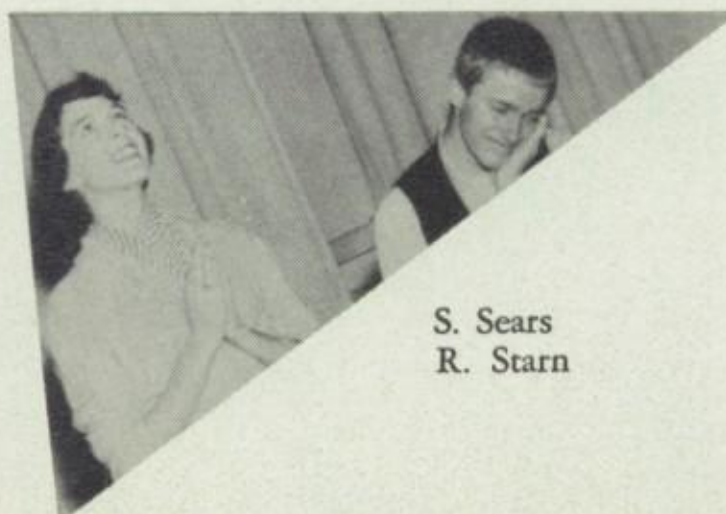
ROOM for ONE MORE



P. Smither
G. Gross
D. Johnson
L. Stewart



JANUARY THAW



S. Sears
R. Starn



FALL C. S. F.

Back Row: C. Ulrich, M. Rock, P. Molvhill, R. Culbertson, B. Fergenson, R. Starn. Fourth Row: A. Haack, L. Price, P. Katsufakis, S. Paine, D. Norquist, G. Ashton, B. Pickens, D. Simm, G. Sandy, R. Ursini, R. Garvey. Third Row: K. Crawford, K. Ingersoll, D. Spencer, B. Dolan, J. Murray, I. Nystrem, N. Bradbury, G. Hilgeman, J. Cardoza, D. Durand, P. Spoon, J. Palmersheim. Second Row: M. Keirn, J. Taylor, K. Koll, J. McCabe, S. Knight, L. Maley, K. Zeigler, M. Heckendorf, S. Hamilton, P. Hedegard. Front Row: F. Kelly, N. Erickson, L. Miller, J. Gant, M. Moore, L. Schmidt, M. Francis, A. Maino, M. Schuster.

C. S. F.

The California Scholarship Federation has as its motto "Scholarship for Service." The purpose of this statewide organization is to honor those who have achieved high scholastic marks each semester and to encourage these scholars to use their ability as leaders as well as to show interest in varied fields and activities.

SPRING C. S. F.

Back Row: J. Carver, M. Francis, A. Maino, J. McCabe, M. Tyler, N. Bradbury, J. Cardoza, L. Terwilliger, M. Johnson, C. Barger, K. Crawford, K. Koll, R. Culbertson, R. Garvey, J. Bookwater, B. Withuhm, L. Maley, K. Zeigler, R. Ferguson, L. Landini, M. Rock, K. Starn, D. Russell, P. Snyder, D. Anderson. Fourth Row: B. Cameron, C. Eubank, P. Bradshaw, N. Erickson, G. Hill, J. Stebins, N. Jones, D. Durand, R. Roberts, S. White, D. Miller, F. Moore, J. Feldman, D. Norquist, A. Haack, R. Nelson. Third Row: L. Schmidt, L. Jones, L. Stewart, D. Borum, B. Overt, K. Ingersoll, D. Woods, D. Spencer, B. Dolan, B. Pickens, L. Burchardt, H. Stump, M. Allen, A. Raymond, B. Duffy, K. Reeves, B. Carner, B. Heitman, S. Howell, M. Downey, J. Palmersheim. Second Row: A. Machado, P. Spoon, N. Brooks, M. Moore, M. Keirn, M. Schuster, C. Foster, P. Reed, I. Nystrom, G. Ford, E. Camin, E. Schuler, F. Rossi, R. Ursini, S. Hamilton, J. Hamilton, M. Ewin. Front Row: S. Burke, G. Hilgeman, S. Muench, J. McCabe, J. Gant, S. Knight, B. Schoefer, S. Paine, L. Price, P. Hedegard, R. Starn, P. Katsufakis, M. Heckendorf, J. Nelson, N. McCain, S. Hamilton, L. Fraga.





FALL HONOR SOCIETY

Back Row: C. Spears, C. Keys, J. Griffin, R. Gaarde, J. Beard, R. Duffy, L. Burchardt B. Harader. Second Row: L. Fraga, B. Merritt, B. Chynoweth, J. Conway, B. Heath, N. Minini, S. Presnell. Front Row: J. Berry, P. Arps, A. Raymond, J. Gladen, S. White, J. Bates.

HONOR SOCIETY

The Downey Honor Society is composed of students who make Grades of B or above in all subjects. This group has service as its major aim. Each semester the group has charge of some activities that represent or aid the students as a whole. They also present a worthwhile gift to the student body and take educational and pleasure trips. Social activities are held in the homes of the members. The sponsors are Mrs. Allison and Miss Cummins.

SPRING HONOR SOCIETY

Back Row: P. Martin, D. Johnson, J. Price, B. Chynoweth, G. Prickett, S. Roberts, J. Murray, M. Meier, S. Deatsch, L. Spyres, L. Haskins, T. Pitre, J. Griffin, J. Beard, S. Reed. Second Row: L. Talbert, C. Hamilton, J. Bates, S. Presnell, C. Spears, D. Garvey, M. Graham, N. Arnett, C. McCoy, P. Spoonemore, F. Winger, S. Taylor, D. Bispo. Front Row: M. Schimpf, K. Elson, P. Corisli, C. Bridenstine, J. Einminger, C. Dietz, P. Fifield, L. Downing, J. Costa, J. Marrow, J. Gerow, A. Wildermuth.





Back Row: J. Vinson, L. Murray, J. Gruber, M. Wyrsh, A. Bavaro, M. Cutlip, B. Haws, J. McMurtry, P. Hayes, N. Benedict, A. Morgan, M. Smeath, D. Borum. Second Row: Mrs. Lemmon, A. Boyd, N. Moore, B. Hager, P. Reed, S. Wilhite, S. Johnson, J. Dick, S. Byers, J. Frantz, D. Carrier, Mrs. Hanson. Front Row: M. Keirn, C. Garrett, L. Manrique, J. Sharp, M. Carrillo, F. Curtis, G. Kenoyan, J. Romey, M. Garcia, P. Hutson, C. Benedict.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

To promote appreciation of the joys and satisfaction of homemaking and to further interests in home economics are two of the purposes of the Future Homemakers of America. Highlighting the social events of the year was the F. H. A. and F.F.A. Christmas banquet.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Downey Future Farmers of America show stock at the county and state fairs. They also sponsor the annual Downey-Modesto F. F. A. Fair at Beard Brook Park. They hope to develop competent rural and agricultural leaders.

Back Row: D. Brown, K. Smith, S. Gamegan, J. Wyrsh, B. Kinney, C. Millerick, A. Johnson, L. Schuler, W. Campbell, W. Prouty, C. Johnson, R. Bettencourt. Sixth Row: W. Elliott, B. Hammer, W. Faughn, J. Fairbanks, R. Gray, J. Reynolds, E. Bettencourt, J. Price, L. Bonds, B. Perpignan. Fifth Row: B. Austin, H. Goni, T. Silva, F. Deniz, M. Rodriques, C. McPherson, J. Little, R. Cover, L. Tooker, K. Francek. Fourth Row: E. Bradley, A. Hardie, J. Moore, J. Borbe, S. Wagner, M. Dolson, G. Cadruvi, J. Damas, C. Howey, D. Hendley, L. Hoefer, D. Hardy. Third Row: L. Goodman, C. Pedrioli, D. Stearns, R. Manrique, A. Terry, J. Brown, E. Barnes, L. Leach, T. Hutchinson, M. Herrera, D. Terry, D. de Boer, D. Heiny. Second Row: C. Woods, H. Des Jardin, J. Smith, M. Resnick, H. Damas, B. Duncan, R. Nelson, R. Minson, D. Griffith, T. Jeffries, E. Nunes, D. Edwards. First Row: G. Splawn, D. Crawford, C. Rasmussen, E. Heichel, K. Dean, D. Sheaffer, P. Hendley, B. Barnes, D. Gross, P. Weiss, D. Fletcher, G. Emerson.





NATIONAL FORENSIC LEAGUE

Back Row: R. Underwood, G. Sherlock, D. Garvey, K. Zeigler, C. Biane. Second Row: D. Converse, J. Wray, S. Ebie, M. Heckendorf, D. Anderson, K. Johansen. Front Row: Mrs. Spelts, P. Belderrain, E. Bevier, A. Pirroni, B. Zellman, F. Higbee.

Students who participate in tournament speech, club contests, school speech services, and radio or TV broadcasting may become members of the National Forensic League as soon as they have met the initial requirements.



DOWNEY FORENSIC LEAGUE

Back Row: J. Hopkins, B. Anderson, M. Heinrick, R. Underwood, B. Alamshay, D. Converse, S. Collins, D. Anderson, Mr. Weatherington. Second Row: M. Schuster, P. Arps, J. Cordoza, N. Fernow, J. Ruddy, A. Pirroni, A. Erickson, N. Kellogg. Front Row: C. Biane, J. Wray, S. Ebie, P. Ewin, F. Higbee, S. Sears, B. Zellman, K. Johansen.

The Downey Forensic League draws students together who have a mutual interest in speech. A school letter may be earned for speech services.

WILDLIFE SOCIETY

The purpose of the Wildlife Society is to promote better understanding of wildlife in our state. The club's main project for the school is the annual Wildlife Barbecue which was held in the spring of the year. The club's advisors are Mr. Drake, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Quessenberry, Mr. Serano, and Mr. De Wolf.

Back Row: R. Alves, E. Vrh, L. Ruth, D. Murray, A. Moore, B. Chase, J. Keefer, J. Jones, J. Taylor. Third Row: B. McDowell, B. Withuhm, B. Turner, T. Bicknell, L. Wilhelm, B. McCusker, P. Murihead, G. DeZorzi, M. Dunker. Second Row: R. Duffy, C. Ulrich, C. Beffis, E. Dilkin, P. Weaver, J. Bowmain, G. Nessier, L. Beuvig. Front Row: R. Feldman, T. Norquist, L. Starn, I. Beard, G. Allison, D. Simm, G. Ford, P. Vella, J. Willinger.





G. A. A.

Back Row: B. Wallace, S. Murray, T. Osterode, P. Smither, B. Van Overbeek, P. Merrill, M. Hardie, L. Miller, P. Hammett, B. Connley, D. Crane, D. Sieger, H. Crowder. Sixth Row: J. Dieu, L. Newnan, J. Merrill, M. Leibrenz, L. Strokes, P. Spoon, K. Schoefer, L. Fraga, D. Kuykendall, J. Hudelson, D. Benson, C. Andres. Fifth Row: D. Vrh, S. Lopez, L. Arwood, J. Wray, S. Ebie, E. Blunt, J. Kuykendall, C. Roy, B. Noyes, B. Rodgers, F. Rossi. Fourth Row: D. Raney, H. Grasier, K. Olsen, J. McFadden, J. McCaffrey, J. Sharp, M. Carrillo, M. Cutlip, D. Bishop, G. Houser, R. Kaustar. Third Row: P. Hendricks, M. Halbakken, C. Dietz, R. Ralls, M. Morrison, J. Blunt, B. Knowles, V. Brigham, S. Saddler, P. Loray. Second Row: J. Thomas, J. White, P. Johnson, L. Ellis, M. Morrison, R. Martin, S. Wilhite, J. Ebright, L. Antrim, R. Carter. Front Row: J. Baxley, B. Skinner, J. Santos, P. Walker, C. Adamson, J. Heaston, G. York, C. Marks.

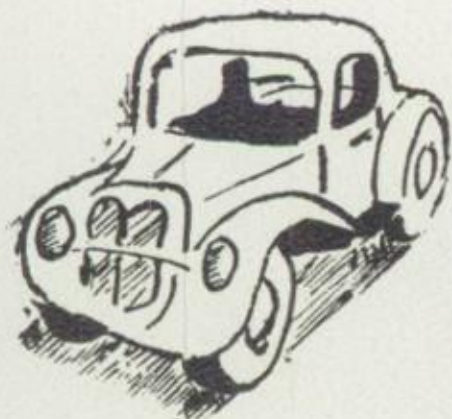
By providing a well rounded program of activities, the Girls' Athletic Association enables students to engage in activities which may be used as leisure time recreation. The group is open to all girls in school.



HORSEMAN'S CLUB

This club was formed two years ago with the purpose of giving the younger horsemen of this community an opportunity to learn some of the finer points of show horsemanship, and providing an opportunity to participate in shows of various types. The group is also known as the "Knight Rangers." The Rangers rode in the fourth of July Parade to win another trophy for Downey.

Jovinita Dieu, Sandra Deatsch, Dolores Altoff, Joan Hunt, Gary Goodwin, Sid Collier, Clarence Rasmussen, Dianne Deatsch, Sylvia Laws, Leorna Spears, Barry Perpignon.



Back Row: Jim Morgan, Tommy Kelton, Glen Vincent, LaVerne Rhoads, Lee Bolar, Cecil Miller, Jim Taylor, Marshall Bowlin. Second Row: Arvis Haskins, Doug Chathan, Lowell Cunningham, John Bambacigno, Don Boone, Bob Richardson. Front Row: Bill Crowder, Ray Pope, Bob Bowland, Charles Garrett, Ernie Nunes, Gil Meeks.

ROAD KNIGHTS

The Road Knights Club was organized to improve the safety and performance of automobiles, promote safe driving, establish fellowship and good will among the members of the club, and maintain a high standard of citizenship and behavior at all times. The colors of the club are blue and white and the motto is "Promote safe Driving."





Back Row: D. Redding, R. Rux, J. Pack, D. Wyatt, T. Bailey, J. Dieu. Fourth Row: D. Wallace, W. Elliot, K. Wright, L. Price, G. West, T. Davis, W. Clem, B. Crawford, T. Norquist. Third Row: M. Morganti, G. Davis, C. Keith, G. Houser, L. Ruth, J. Griffin, B. Wilkinson, G. York, P. Vella. Second Row: M. Berbena, P. Weaver, R. Berg, R. Merrett, J. Baker, H. DesJardin, K. Smith, T. Brown, L. Beuving, H. Whitehead. Front Row: R. Bettencourt, B. Kinney, E. Bettencourt, P. Kapusansky, G. Langston, A. Gamble, W. Azevedo, M. Herrera, L. Wood, N. Soloman.

The Block D Club is limited to Sophomore, Junior, and Senior boys who have won athletic awards. It is a service type club especially interested in promoting good sportsmanship and upholding the school traditions. The major project of the Block D Club is to award silver and gold pants to the outstanding performers in the physical education department.

HI-Y PHI KAPPA

The purpose of this club is to create, maintain, and extend through-out the school and community high standards of Christian character. The slogan is "Clean speech, clean sports, clean scholarship, and clean living." The activities are both service and social. The service projects included the donation of a Christmas tree to the school, food baskets to needy families, and various projects intended to improve the school. The social events included joint meetings with the different Tri-Y's, a trip to Death Valley, and various parties.

Advisor: Mr. Ralph



Back Row: Buzz Marcettie, Well Sargis, Allan Haack. Second Row: Gordon Sandy, Gail Prickett, Keith Foster, Keith Sargent, Jerry Simpkins. First Row: Bill Chynoweth, Ernie Camin, Leonard Maley, Jim Beard, and Kirt Zeigler.

Back Row: Dave Triplett, Bob Bowker, Dick Lippert, Bob Ayres. Second Row: Richard Alves, Robert Merrit, Dick Norquist, Dave Barnett. First Row: Mike Graham, Bob Baird, Bob Beyer, Gilbert Nessier, Tom Norquist.



HI-Y PHI BETA

This is an organization dedicated to fellowship and service. The club has three aims: to enjoy the companionship of other high school boys, to serve the school, community and nation, and to develop leadership qualities in the members. Socially they have had many parties, joint meetings, and movies. Speakers were often invited to the meetings.

Advisor: Mr. Baldrige



ALPHA OMEGA

Back Row: Karen Weir, Anne Raymond, Kathy Bernard, Sandra Bishop, Judy Hudelson, Deanna Bispo, Karel Alley, Marlene Rosa. Second Row: Donna Mall, Pat Duncan, Diane King, Jean Wilkinson, Karen Kilroy, Delores Crane, Janet Emmenger, Carol Barnett, Joan Tighe. Front Row: Nancy Johnston, Sharon Cook, Beth Dolan, Velda Youngblood, Sorelle Lowe, Linda Atwood, Judy Barnes.

Advisor: Miss Williams

There are four Tri-Y's at Thomas Downey High School. Each maintains the motto, "Pure thoughts, pure words, and pure actions." The purpose is "to create, maintain, and extend in the home and throughout the community, high standards of christian character."

The girls become increasingly aware of the true purpose of Tri-Y work and express the desire to emphasize to the fullest measure the Christian beginning and elements of the clubs.

The projects of the Tri-Y Alpha Omega were: the installation of officers and induction

KAPPA GAMMA

Back Row: Marlene Francis, Linda Demarest, Dora Jean Durand, Judy Dotsen. Second Row: Dolores Atkinson, Karen Olson, Sue Muench, Shirley Stamper, Pat Bowen, Kathy Powers. Front Row: Jean McFaddin, Anne Badger, Melinda Moore, Diane James, Norma Brooks.

Advisor: Miss Parker



SIGMA PHI

Back Row: Nadine Kellogg, Meri Beth Prokes, Jeanne Howe, Marlene Kissenger, Bonnie Connely. Second Row: Joan McCabe, Pat Wilson, Mary Jo Bates, Sharon Rose, Mary Ann Smith, Gerry Houser, Judy Gant. Front Row: Karen Johanson, Karen Koll, Barbara Zellman, Pat Spoon, Margaret Heckendorf, Nancy McCain, Janet Nelson. Advisor: Mrs. Brown.



of new members, a trip to the new jail, a party for orphans in the Modesto vicinity, and a work day at the hospital.

The Tri-Y Kappa Gamma, Downey's newest Tri-Y had two service projects for the community, a car wash and bake sale. They also had several guest speakers.

The Tri-Y Sigma Phi sponsored a dance, Christmas slumber party, Death Valley Trip, Post Lenten Dance, Tri-Y Carnival, and made Thanksgiving baskets.

The Tri-Y Zeta Kappa's projects included Christmas and Thanksgiving baskets for the needy.



ZETA KAPPA

Back Row: Rita McClintock, Janice Lee, Beverly Ebie, Brenda Moser. Second Row: Carol Adamson, Donna Vrh, Annette Hightower, Linda Miller, Joanne Brohm, Sue Saul, Neva Shimmon. Front Row: Sandra Lopez, Lola Clark, Sharon Ebie, Janice Wray, Nancy Fernow.

Advisor: Miss Stafffield.



GLOBE TRAVELERS

The Globe Travelers are affiliated with the Institute of International Relations. Its activities include International relations, films on foreign lands, discussion groups on international affairs, and a trip to "China-town."

Back Row: B. Larson, C. Wood, B. Marcetti, D. Odell, A. Hansberry, C. Nolte, R. Greenwood, B. Harader, N. Harwell, H. Grasier, J. Capps, F. Champion, R. Cameron. Second Row: J. Howe, M. Kissinger, J. Hoagland, B. Henke, A. Bryant, P. Fowler, J. Goni, L. Talbert, P. Bowen, D. King, D. Poynor. Front Row: S. Bishop, J. Sharp, A. Aleo, M. Cipponeri, J. McFadden, K. Olson, R. Hoach, P. Hernandez, C. Hodge, I. Hartsell, B. Ackord, Mrs. Angelinoff.

Back Row: D. Lee, J. Silette, L. Dovichi, L. Burke, S. Jensen, M. Gorman, D. Grover, Mr. Baldrige. Front Row: D. Herman, O. Granquist, B. Terry, M. Fuller, D. Denlinger, K. Powers, E. Bell.



DOWNEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The purpose of the club is to promote interest in California history. The projects of the past year included field trips, a collection of articles on the activities of Downey High School, and concessions at the football games.

RETAILERS

This club handles the ticket sales for school activities, such as plays, dances, and games. Students eligible to belong should be business majors.

Back Row: J. Eoff, J. Pitts, B. Schmitz, F. Johnson, L. Taylor, D. Crouse. Front Row: B. Spanggard, M. Hardie, E. Camin, J. Hays, W. Freid.
Advisor: Mr. Hovanasian.



MU ETA SIGMA

The purpose of the Mu Eta Sigma is to encourage high school youth in the performance of good music.

V. Fifield, J. Gant, N. Fernow, D. Shoemaker, R. Shipley, Mrs. Crane—advisor, D. Deatsch, F. Woodworth.



JR. STATESMEN CLUB

The Jr. Statesmen Club's main interest is government, politics, and civic leadership.

Back Row: J. Franklin, T. Emerrick, L. Erwin, W. Freid, Mr. Ralph—advisor. Second Row: L. Damarest, C. Biane, B. Little. Front Row: K. Julian, J. Francis, D. Luiz, H. Halverson, L. Schmidt, A. Crawford.





Standing: Elaine Schuler—Shield Editor; George Ford—Yell Leader; Randy Starn—President; Bruce Crawford—Athletic Director. Sitting: Marlene Keirn—Girls' Vice-President; Pat Spoon—Secretary; Kirt Zeigler—Boys' Vice-President; Carol Barger—Treasurer; Dick Anderson—Rally Commissioner; Anne Raymond—Song Leader; Dave Triplett—Judge; Nancy McCain—Director of Activities.

SPRING STUDENT COUNCIL

At the beginning of the semester the Constitution of Thomas Downey High School was passed. Spring Student Council projects included: improvement of school spirit, suggestions for reorganizing the advisory system, establishing the offices of Judge and Associate Judges, and studying the function of the student court.

JUDGE AND ASSOCIATE JUDGES

Steve Hamilton—Sophomore; Leigh Price—Junior; Dave Triplett—Judge; Collette Biane—Senior; Delwyn Wallis—Freshman.

COUNCIL AT WORK

Elaine Schuler, Dick Anderson, Anne Raymond, Bruce Crawford, Nancy McCain, Marlene Keirn.





Standing—Dick Anderson, Rally Commissioner; George Ford, Yell Leader; Anne Raymond, Song Leader; Bill Hardie, Athletic Director. Seated—Elaine Schuler, Shield Editor; Grant Sherlock, Knights' Herald Editor; Deanna Bispo, Treasurer; Dave Triplett, President; Carol Hill, Secretary; Margaret Heckendorf, Director of Student Activities; not pictured are Mary Queen, Girls Vice President; and Walt Zimmerman, Vice President.

The Fall Student Council

This year the Fall Student Body Council was very busy even before school opened. The first thing that they took up was the completion of the constitution for the fifth annual year at Thomas Downey High School. In November the Student Body Officers were asked to participate in a "Litter-Bug" Campaign. The Council also instituted a new method of gaining membership in Dads Club, P. T. A., Student Body and Shield Sales.

Standing—Walt Zimmerman, Grant Sherlock. Seated—Margaret Heckendorf, Dave Triplett, Anne Raymond.

Deanna Bispo, Bill Hardie, Dave Triplett, George Ford.





M. Ray, J. Hudelson, R. Wherry, N. Brooks, F. Rossi, B. Kronmiller.



Back row—K. Osterode, B. VanOverbeek, S. Rose, J. Morrison. Second row—C. Barnett, E. Simpson, J. Ferreria, A. Wann, C. Zimmerman. Back row—L. Dovichi, D. Duckart, B. Briggs.



The Knights' Herald

The school newspaper, the Knights' Herald, brings the news to students in a truthful and straight-forward manner. It is an instrument of expression for both students and faculty. This is illustrated by the motto "The Voice of the Student Body." Working on the paper teaches a student the practical use of journalism. At the same time the students can take pride in seeing their writing in print.

Back row—J. Wakefield, S. Taylor, L. Bevier, F. Rossi, M. Ray, B. Kronmiller, J. Hudelson, R. Wherry. Front row—T. Osterode, G. Sherlock, N. Brooks.





E. Schuler, M. Ray, P. Ewin.



Back row—F. Higbee, B. Zellman. Second row—L. Newman, L. Stewart, M. Keirn. Front row — B. Thompson, E. Schuler, B. Reed.
Below: Miss Parker and Elaine Schuler.

The Shield

The Shield Staff is one of the busiest organizations in the school. Its main function is compiling the best yearbook possible. This year the theme chosen by the staff is "Building Character." To carry out the theme the staff used the various phases of student life to illustrate what goes into building character.



Back row: P. Ewin, L. Stewart, K. Walter, L. Newman, D. Anderson, M. Ray, B. Thompson.
Front row: M. Keirn, E. Schuler, B. Zellman, F. Higbee, B. Reed.





Back row—Artie Mayhood, Gayle Grube, Frank Riddel, Harry Terwilliger, Larry Bevier, Bob Beyer, Terry Frowein, Jim Williams, Larry Leach, Bruce Crawford, Chester Cummins, Wayne Campbell, Virginia Fifield, Bonnie Presnell, Judy Rasmussen. Fourth row—Wanda Sharp, Lorrie Amos, Joan Edin, Geneveive Gregory, Nancy McCain, Karol Kay Shivley, Judy Roberts, Clayton Morgareidge, David Wing, Gene Jolly, Sarah Presnell, Nancy Fernow, Floreen Kelly, Pat Schmidt. Third row—Carolyn Denlinger, Joyce Francis, Barbara Schoefer, George Gross, Robert Smith, Raymond Cover, Glenn Bauman, Tom Norquist, Dave Barnett, Bob

Thomas Downey

Thomas Downey's choir is one of the more advanced choral groups and performs more frequently than others. This year the choir performed for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter assemblies. They presented programs for many local groups such as the University Women, Lions Club, and the Music Teachers' Association. The choir was also invited to give a Christmas program for



Anderson, Yvonne Flebut, Jeanne Lambert. Second row—Mrs. Crane, Carla Toti, Sandra Sowell, Judy Cook, Bill Harader, Leonard Burke, John Hurst, David Shoemaker, Paul Boyington, Steve Collins, Genellen Meyer, Nancy Kirk, Gaye Sumpter. Front row—Marlene Keirn, Marianne Smith, Shirley Butler, Marilyn Fuller, Steve Hamilton, Ed Galindo, Bill Chynoweth, Marianne Cipponeri, Alice Wildermuth, Shirley Cherry, Joan Kilroy.

A Cappella Choir

the DeCoto Home for the Masonic Aged. In the spring the choir joined the band and orchestra for a combined spring concert. Choir members presented the musical operetta "The Lowland Sea" and ended the year by singing for graduation and baccalaureate ceremonies.



Advanced Girls' Glee

Back row—C. Bridenstine, S. Lopez, P. Merenda, J. Presnell, L. Earl, P. Bradshaw, M. Liebreiz, S. Ripley, B. Layman, N. Peters, Mrs. Crane. Third row—J. Bonds, J. Swanger, D. Steiger, B. Stern, J. Cunningham, A. Gridley, S. Hamilton, L. Fraga, H. Lyon, M. Gordon, A. Simpson. Second row—N. Johnson, P. Bowen, J. Balestra, J. Colliver, D. Carrier, R. McNally, S. Shull, G. Weakley, V. Grass, K. Rhodes. First row—J. Barns, S. Thorne, J. McCaffrey, C. Hill, D. Hechler, H. Gomez, J. Stebbins, B. Moser.

Beginning Girls' Glee

Back row—B. King, G. Smith, S. Wilkan, S. Harris, P. Brown, M. Winkles, M. Wylie, S. Ragsdale, J. Yori, F. Runyan, M. Windham, L. McIntire, M. Knight, P. Johnson, M. Brown, J. Frick. Third row—Mrs. Crane, C. Dietz, B. Fawn, P. Dunham, D. Shoup, C. Kalteich, D. Shirk, C. Roberts, R. Carter, P. Tate, M. Halbakken, W. Smith. Second row—L. Landini, J. Gorsuch, L. Mitchell, D. Williams, E. Vrh, M. Duffel, R. Cameron, J. Dick, L. Talbert, J. Crosley, C. Farr. Front row—C. Grover, J. Nattinger, D. LaFerla, S. Smith, E. Pappus, B. Bennett, L. Ellis, G. Nunes.





Men's Glee

Back row—R. Smith, T. Hutchinson, T. Norquist, J. Hurst, W. Campbell, L. Bevier, C. Morgariedge, T. Frowein, J. Toepfer, Fourth Row—S. Hamilton, D. Shoemaker, D. Barnett, S. Collins, B. Chynoweth, B. Harader, G. Bowman, L. Burke, P. Boynton, R. Cover. Third row—L. Dovichi, D. Norquist, J. Sullivan, R. Shipley, J. Busher, B. Burton, A. Hansberry, L. Heisel, M. Macomber, J. Dieu. Second row—R. Rifenburg, D. Clark, S. Reddy, R. Maderios, R. Magana, R. Boring, H. Cummins, R. Jacobs, W. Anderson, J. Madnick, F. Reddell. Front row—D. Wilson, D. Pugh, J. Mirable, R. Morgareidge, D. Layman, B. Martin, R. Gonzales, J. Carlson P. Martin.

Chorus

Back row—J. Ellis, J. Webb, E. Bevier, G. Reeves, N. Boyd, N. Harris, T. Vallee, M. Neal, T. Kelly, J. Baker. Fourth row—S. Goldman, L. Williams, J. Pritt, N. Trumbou, G. Reeves, M. Boone, M. Schimpf, J. Carver, J. McMurtry, I. King, J. Schnee, L. Estep. Third row—N. Worley, S. Johnson, T. Muench, D. Clark, J. Swanson, L. Terry, L. Wick, J. Gerow, J. Jarett, E. Frankenstein, A. Crawford. Second row—C. Mark, N. Denlis, K. Salter, B. Wilson, J. Dotson, M. Garcia, L. Wadelski, J. Morrow, Mrs. Crane. Front row—W. Anderson, R. Faust, D. Walker, L. Larson, L. Charlton, B. Powers, P. McKenzie.





Back Row: S. Sowell, J. Hurst, R. Garvey, G. Grude, J. Toepher, N. Green, F. Kelly. Middle Row: K. Shively, R. Anderson, J. Cook, G. Bauman, J. Kilroy. Front Row: S. Butler, S. Hamilton, S. Cherry.

Lords and Ladies

This group is a combination of the Knightingales and the Blue Lords. They are well known for the difficult and beautiful music they sing.

Pep Band

One of the hardest working groups of the musical department is the Pep Band which has done much to create spirit and pep for our games.

Back Row: R. Shipley, B. Ferguson, B. Gottschalk, H. Stump, W. Shafer, B. Elliot, D. Lee, S. Reddy. Front Row: E. Nunes, B. Saunders, G. Williams, D. Bomen, J. Wilson, L. Wesgate, R. Holdridge.





The Christmas Musical

One of the yearly productions of the musical department of Thomas Downey High School is the Christmas Musical. This year under the direction of Gladys Crane it was presented in the Modesto High School auditorium. In the above picture is the entire cast of the 1955 production. Below is pictured the Knight-ingles with Susan Thorne as the Christmas tree angel.

Left to right: S. Butler, J. Kilroy, J. Cook, S. Sowell, G. Grube, K. Shively, F. Kelly, S. Cherry. The middle, S. Thorne.

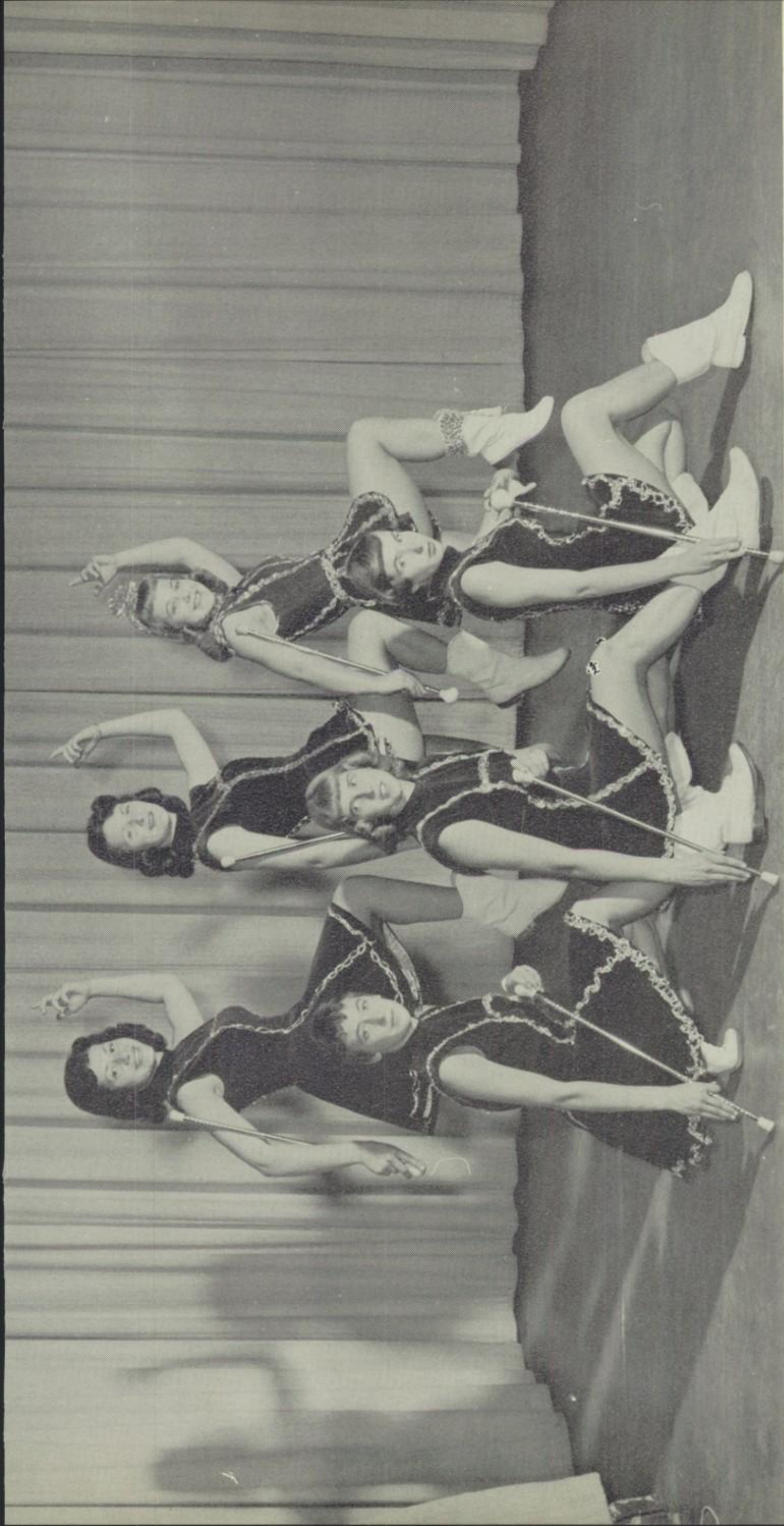




Back row—Mary Bowling, Alice Wildermuth, Alice Pritchard, Mr. Kimball. Second row—Romona Anderson, Anne Maizon, Rosemary McSpadden, Jim Madnick, Giles Manwaring, Don Lee, Ronnie Barton, Rose Collins, Bob Elliot, Wayne Schaffer. Front row—Fern Woodworth, Barbara Obert, Sharon Foster, Joanna Cunningham, Dale Kuykendall, Phyllis Davis, Jeanette Kuykendall, Joanne Carver, Keith Foster, Paul Snyder, Susan Heron.

Thomas Downey Orchestra

The Thomas Downey High School Orchestra consists of twenty-three members. The orchestra performs for school plays, the Christmas Musicales, Spring Concert, Baccalaureate, and sends members to music festivals. The main purpose of the Orchestra is to offer the opportunity, to its members, of musical performance culminating in public performance, and to seek standards that accompany such public performance. The officers of the Orchestra are: Fern Woodworth, President; Joanna Cunningham, Vice-President; and Sharon Foster, Secretary-Treasurer. The new director is Mr. E. Leigh Kimball.



Back row—Carol Horner, Donna Vrh, Carol Adamson. Front row—Janice Wray, Sharon Ebie, Gwen York.

Majorettes

The Downey High School Majorettes started the football season in completely new costumes. They marched at all football games that Downey participated in and marched for one rally, and also in several parades. Some very fine demonstrations during half times at the football games were presented by them.



Back row—J. Maley, M. Styles, B. Rogers, N. Johnson, J. Wilson, M. Just, R. Bowman, D. Lee, D. Clark, D. Denlis, D. Norquist, J. Hurst, H. Stump, K. Darby, B. Lee, R. Gottschalk, C. Wallace, G. Reynolds, D. Hendley, B. Ferguson, R. Lee, R. Shipley, R. Barton. Third row—J. Kuykendall, B. Little, J. Phillips, S. Zimmerman, C. Spears, D. Darby, P. Weiss, S. Deatsch, N. Ney, D. Gates, D. Ferrel, B. Heitman, D. Heiny, D. Benton, R. Melson, B. Jones, J. Hassen, S. Howell, D. Wing, L. Westgate, K. Kline, B. Lutes,

Thomas Downey

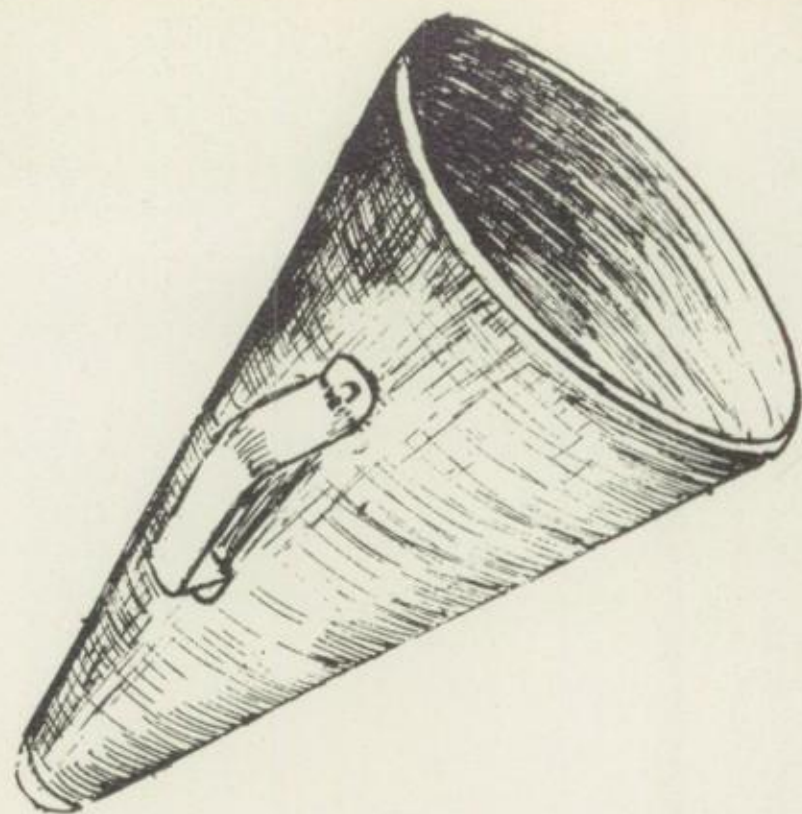
The Thomas Downey High School Band made school history by walking off with top honors at the California Music Educators Association, Northern District, 1955 State Musical Festival. The band rated Division I, Superior, in both the concert playing and sight reading competition. The band was one of three Class



S. Reddy, R. Holdridge. Second row—J. Downey, L. Maley, B. Saunders, J. Joliff, K. Thompson, R. Martin, D. Winn, R. Parsons, D. Phillips, R. Parsons, R. Underwood, R. Collins, W. Shaffer, B. Elliott, J. Murphy, F. Williams, B. Myers, D. Eaton. First row—J. Roberts, D. Wilson, R. Beyer, E. Nunes, B. Hassen, L. Madearis, M. Westgate, D. Kuykendall, D. Deatsch, J. Hamilton, J. Gant. Majorettes—S. Ebie, C. Horner, D. Vrh, J. Wray, M. Cipponeri, G. York, C. Adamson.

Marching Band

A bands to receive these ratings. Ronnie Barton, our new drum major, has added much to our band this year. He has attracted considerable attention by his back-breaking, high stepping style which is common in most mid-western colleges and universities.



Anne Raymond, Sue Taylor, Donna Benson, Judy Gladen.

Song Leaders and Yell Leaders

Each year the song leaders and yell leaders are elected by the Student Body. At least one Senior must be elected and the other three may be either Sophomores or Juniors. They take active parts at all football games and rallies.

Standing—Niles Spencer. Kneeling—Larry Erwin, George Ford, Scott Reed.





Rally Executive Committee

Back row—Karen Koll, Randy Starn, George Ford, Dick Anderson. Second row—Joy Wilson, Faye Moore, Gay Hilgeman, Bob Baird. First row—Judy Barns, Betty Reed, Nancy Bradberry, Anne Raymond, Sue Sahl.

The Rally committee is composed of two groups; the Rally Executive committee and the working body. Its main purpose is to create school spirit among other members of the student body. Dick Anderson, the elected rally commissioner, headed this group.

Back row — B. Streeter, D. O'Dell. Fourth row — N. Brooks, D. Spencer, D. Shoemaker, K. Osthues, J. Brohm, L. Miller, A. Hansberry, L. Demarest, D. Atkinson, P. Plummer, J. Cooper, M. Cipponeri, E. Smith. Third row—C. Franklin, J. Karker, N. Johnston, A. Badger, J. Berry, S. Thorne, J. Turner, G. Hill, S. Baskin, L. Amos, R. Cusick, J. Cardozo, P. Arps, C. Howard, F. Black, M. Francis. Second row—B. Reed, S. Holtzclaw, L. Lionudakis, N. Kellogg, H. Garcia, C. Barnett, J. Rodgers, G. Derby, J. Rupe, D. Berdot, N. Vallee, D. LaFerla, M. Kissinger, J. Howe, J. McCaffery, J. Endres. First row — D. Anderson, S. Reed, S. Taylor, L. Erwin, J. Gladen, N. Spencer, D. Benson, J. Bates, S. White, N. Erickson. Not pictured — Marcia Gordon, S. Sears, S. Watson.





Back row: Cletta Stines, Janice Stow, Barbara Zellman, Terry Porcella. Front row: Naomi Washburn Weakley, Bill Sargis, Pat Schmidt, Babs Kronmiller.



Back row: Dick Pugh, Miss Conwell. Front row: Pat Holquinn, Jeanine Wakefield, Nita Johnson, Mary Snook.

Royal Scroll

The Royal Scroll is a compilation of the superior literary work of the students of Thomas Downey High School. The purpose of such a book is twofold: to stimulate interest in creative writing, and to preserve outstanding work in this line of endeavor. To be a member of the Royal Scroll staff, a student must have sophomore standing or above, display creative ability and grammatical correctness, and be recommended by his English teacher.

Back row: Nita Johnson, Terry Porcella, Miss Conwell. Second row: Jeanine Wakefield, Naomi Washburn Weakley, Dick Pugh, Mary Snook, Cleta Stines, Pat Holquinn, Janice Stow. Front row: Bill Sargis, Pat Schmidt, Babs Kronmiller, Barbara Zellman.





I. C. C.

Back row—N. Lacina, M. Dunker, J. Roberts, V. Silva, G. Ford, W. Zimmerman, A. Hoskins, L. Cunningham, B. Chase, D. Simm, K. Starn. Front row—K. Ziegler, C. Biane, J. Rodgers, S. Muench, Mrs. Spelts, K. Koll, L. Antrin, J. Snook, B. Baird.

The purpose of Inter-Club Council is to insure a closer relationship between all of the school clubs and to represent the clubs to the Student Council and administration. Advisory Representatives is organized so that the advisories may have an active voice in the government of the school.

Advisory Representatives

Back row—D. Lee, J. Dieu. Fifth row—D. Simm, E. Davis, T. Bailey, L. Taylor, J. Roberts, B. Baird, J. Keefer, B. Schmidt, E. Duckart, W. Zimmerman, B. Rawls, T. Emmerick, L. Cunningham, E. Haskins, F. Mikelson, C. Boudreau. Fourth row—D. Brown, D. Edwards, D. Griffith, P. Martin, L. Burk, C. Gladen, A. Lopez, R. Gaskil, K. Farrel, F. Robinson, J. Gossard, R. Curtis, A. McMasters, N. Arnez, L. Downey, K. Starn, N. Jones, C. Lawler, S. Sears, R. Roberts, B. Kirkpatrick, G. Cantrell, B. Prowdy, A. Costa, J. Jenkins, D. Miller, B. van Overbeek, S. Muench, D. Dolson, P. Holquinn, P. Reed, L. Talbert, Z. Serpa, D. Dillinger, A. Marzan, A. Pritchard, J. Locano, S. Conway, J. Palmersheim, E. Camin, J. Endres. Front row—A. Hartzell, H. M. Carrillo, K. Rhodes, J. McCaffery, K. Kritzer, S. Gomez, D. Heckler, F. Young, M. Neri, F. Burkner, Y. Flebut, D. Carrier, M. Allen, T. Laque, N. McCain, B. Heath.





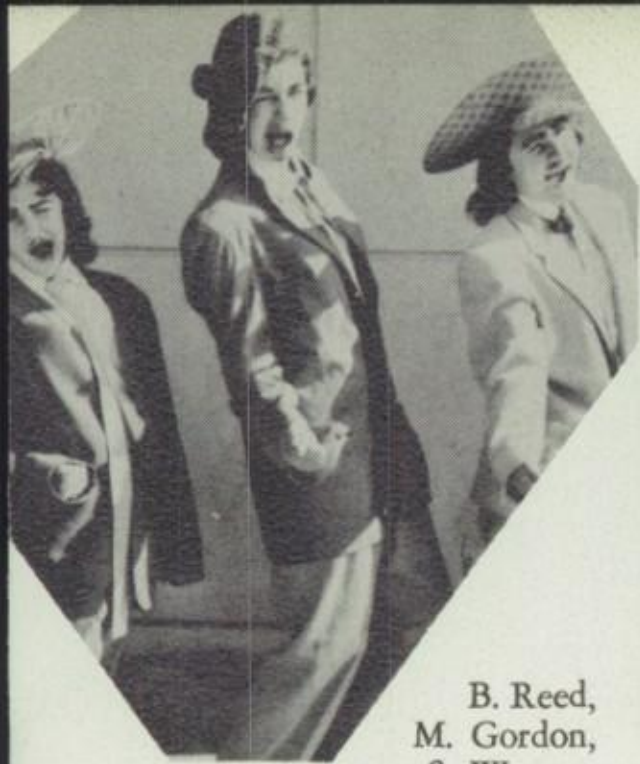
Queen, Pat Spoon, with attendants Deanna Bispo and Marlene Neri at Winter Wonderland Dance.



Bonfire Rally before M.H.S. game.

M.H.S. gave Downey a bathtub before the game asking for a clean fight.





B. Reed,
M. Gordon,
S. Watson,
entertain at a rally as "Manny,
Moe, and Jack."



Marcia Gordon as Vamp from Merced.



R. Starn,
S. Sears,
D. Anderson
at C.S.F. initiation.



Outdoor rally
for M.H.S. game.



Mr. Reeder accepts an "apple for the teacher"
from Mary Queen.



D. Anderson presents D.H.S.
fourth birthday cake.



A. Haack, J. Cardoza, and D.
Norquist at C.S.F. initiation.



Balloon Barrage

Mr. Houser, Mr. Elliot at Dads'
Club Carnival.



Rally Club forms a blue
and white "D."

Christmas Music.



Christmas Music.





Sports Section

In order to keep in a fit condition the medieval knight took part in many activities that required strength and stamina. Such sports as jousting, duels, and hand-to-hand fighting were used to keep him in top condition.

The Thomas Downey High School knight also takes part in sports, not only to keep him in top condition but for enjoyment. He has a large range of sports from which to choose. Such sports as baseball, basketball, track, and football are a few that are offered here at Downey.

In medieval times the knight was weighted down by many pounds of metal armor. This was used to protect him against the blows of his opponent. This can be explained by the fact that the object of most sports of that time was to injure the opponent to the extent that he was unable to continue the battle. In the sports of today, sportsmanship plays an important part. Protective pads and uniforms are mainly for the prevention of accidental injuries.

Sports also offer enjoyment to those who watch them from the sidelines. At Thomas Downey High the school spirit is greatly increased by such activities. It presents the opportunity for students to unite in a combined effort behind their school and to show their appreciation.



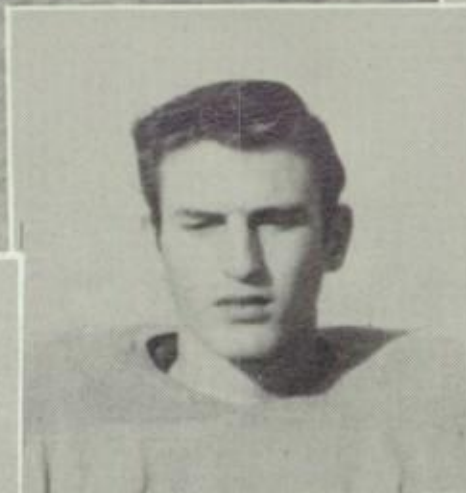
John Austin
Guard



Tom Vallee
Guard



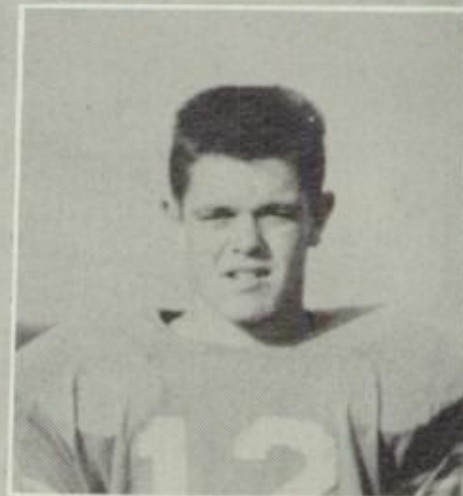
Gerry Nelson
End



Chet Cummins
Halfback



Bruce Crawford
*Co-Captain
Tackle*



Bob Jenkins
Quarterback





Larry Jenkins
Co-Captain
Center



Pepper Robinette
Halfback



Herschel Sanders
Tackle



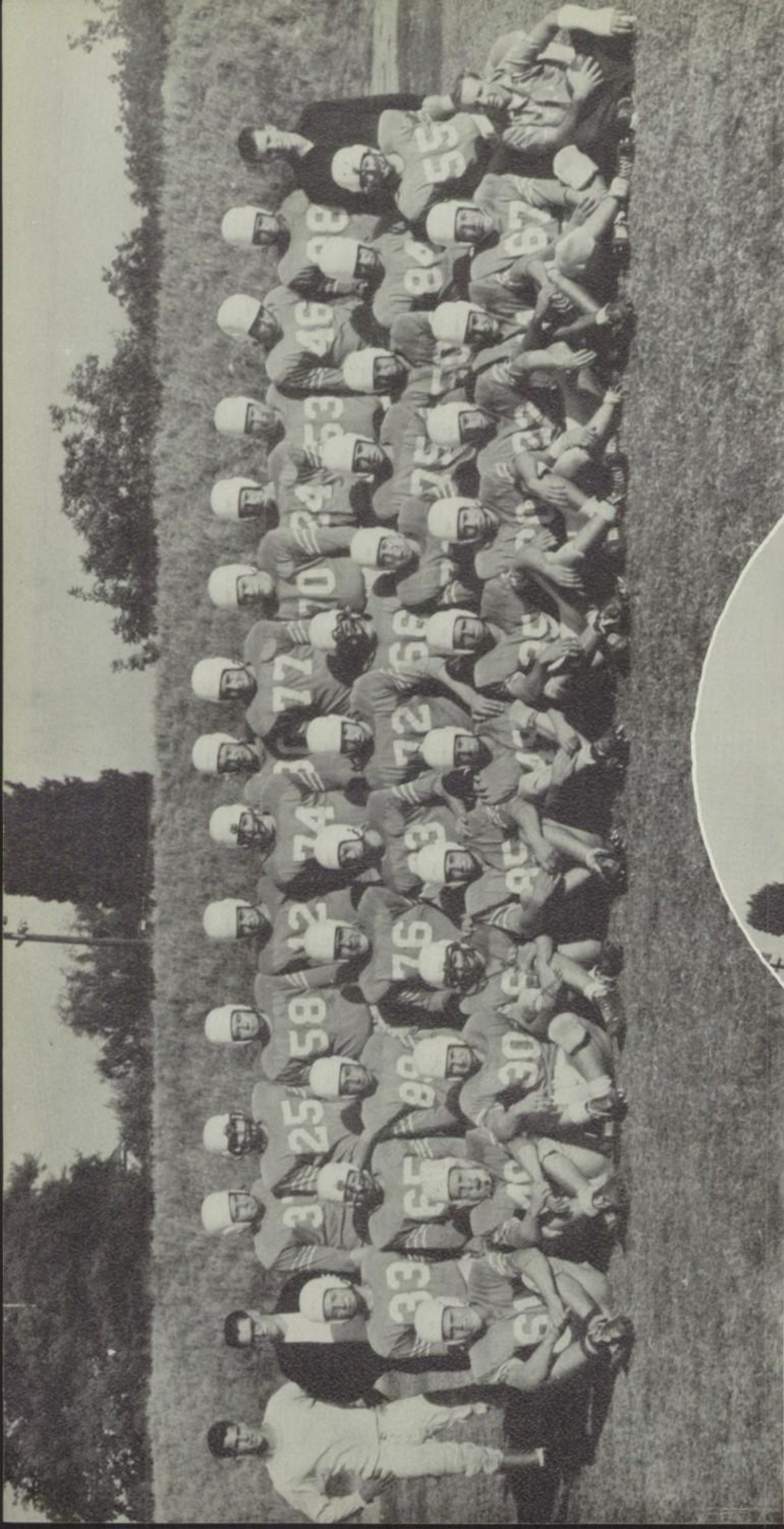
Norman Lacina
Fullback

Mike Herrera
Center



Ray Ward
Halfback





Varsity

Back row: Tony Maino, John Austin, Pete Hedegard, Larry Jenkins, Bob Jenkins, Jerry Little, Jerry Lawrence, Herschel Sanders, Wayne Clem, Jerry Pack, Terry Davis, Walt Faughn, Barry Perpignon, Stan Wagner.

Second row: Ronnie Nelson, Tom Vallee, Don Redding, Nathan Solomon,



Coaches: Keever Jankovich, Joe Meyers, and Chuck Hughes.

Football

Bill Hunter, Bruce Crawford, Bill Hardie, Tom Norquist, Lester Ruth, Tony Fernandes, Gerry Nelson, Mike Hererra.

Front row: Chick Gamble, Don Harvey, Norman Lacina, Gregory York, Tony Silva, Bob Wilkinson, Warren Azevedo, Dick Lippert, Ray Ward, Bob Day, Howard Langston, Bill Heath.

Varsity Football

The Downey High School Varsity Football team, playing their second year in the tough Sac-Joaquin conference, played well above any expectations. The team members adapted themselves very well to the split-T formation and after winning their first two games found they were being considered the team to beat in the tight league race. Coaches Chuck Hughes, Joe Meyers, and Keever Jankovich hoped for a 5-5 season record.

Starting out the season against the Merced High School team, Downey showed not too much offense, but a very good defense. Bill Heath, whom the coaches had picked out to lead the game, missed the contest because of a concussion. Bobby Jenkins was moved from halfback to quarterback and did an outstanding job. Pepper Robinette scored the only touchdown of the game in which the Knights were victorious, 7 to 0.

The first league game of the season found the Knights playing the Grant High School Pacers, one of the strongest contenders of the league. However, the Downey team was fired up to revenge the previous year's defeat at the hands of the Grant team and showed great promise in defeating the Pacers 25 to 0. Bruce Crawford, Jerry Nelson, Tom Vallee, and Herschel Sanders played very well for Downey in the line while Pete Hedegard, Bill Heath, and Ray Ward performed well in the backfield.

Against the Stockton College Colts, the Knights went into the game a little overconfident because of their two previous shut-out wins and after the heated battle was over found themselves on the short end of a 14 to 0 score.

Still smarting because of the Stockton loss, the Downey Varsity made up their minds to beat a highly favored Lodi team that had not been defeated in the conference for two years. Playing what proved to be their outstanding game of the season the Knights literally pushed the Lodi team all over the field and defeated them 27-6.

The Woodland High School Wolves proved to have one of the fastest all-around backfields in the league. Downey scored three touchdowns against this northern school. Woodland won over the Knights, 27-20. Downey ended up on the Woodland 1-yard line as the final gun sounded. Ray Ward, the leading ground gainer, was injured in this game.

Downey and Modesto High, playing before almost 8,000 people, fought an outstanding defensive battle. Modesto's one touchdown proved enough to defeat the hard-fighting Knights. It was a game that saw both teams make good offensive marches but both lacked the final punch to get the ball across the goal.

Downey scored 19 points against a very strong Turlock High School team. Larry Jenkins, center on the offensive unit and tackle on the defensive team, was outstanding in this contest as was Pepper Robinette who had the duty of defending against a 6'5" rangy Turlock end.

Downey High and McClatchy High of Sacramento gave the fans one of the most exciting contests to be played on the local field this year. The game saw a flare-up of tempers several times, but finally ended on a friendly basis. Downey won 26-20.

In the last league game of the season Downey played El Camino High. After a very slow first three quarters by both teams the final period saw the teams explode with offensive power. El Camino first tied the game up at 7-7 and then went ahead with one minute to go to 13 to 7. Downey came back in the last 15 seconds to score and tie the game up at 13 to 13.

The annual Oakdale-Downey classic was one of the hardest played games of the year. Both teams scored in the last four minutes of play to tie at 7-7.

Downey ended up the season with five wins, three losses, and two ties. The Knights had a very explosive team that was exciting to watch. This year's team lost many fine football players such as co-captains Larry Jenkins and Bruce Crawford, Pepper Robinette, Bill Hardie, John Austin, Tom Vallee, Pete Hedegard, Bill Heath, Bill Hunter, Norman Lacina, Mike Hererra, and many others that were just as outstanding.

Merced 0	Downey 7	Modesto 7	Downey 0
Grant 0	Downey 25	Turlock 0	Downey 19
Stockton 14	Downey 0	McClatchy 20	Downey 26
Lodi 6	Downey 27	El Camino 13	Downey 13
Woodland 27	Downey 20	Oakdale 7	Downey 7

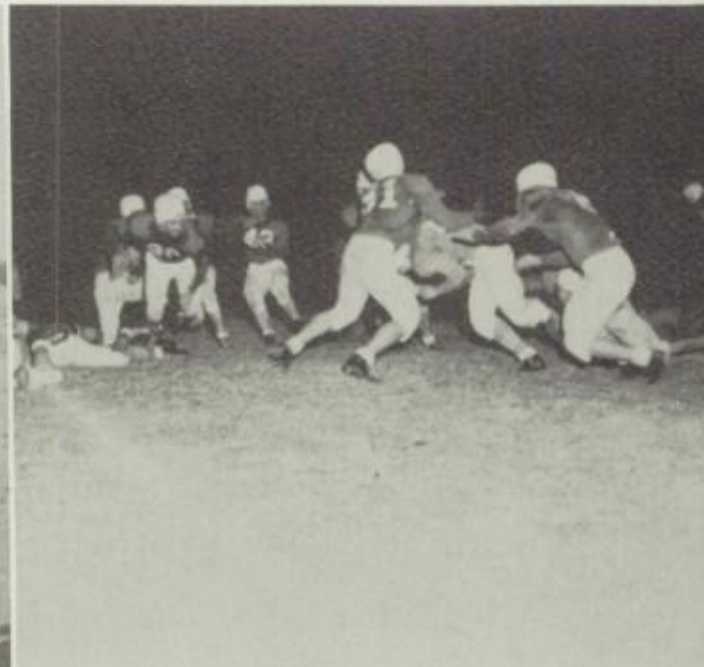
Varsity Football Snaps



The flames were extinguished
this time



John Bambacino, Mickey Fernandes,
and Fred Thiemann were the
managers



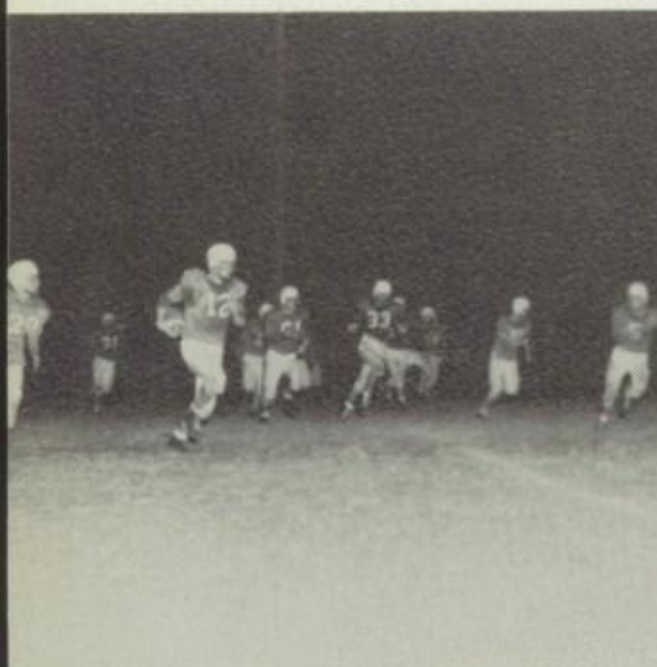
Waitin' for the ball?



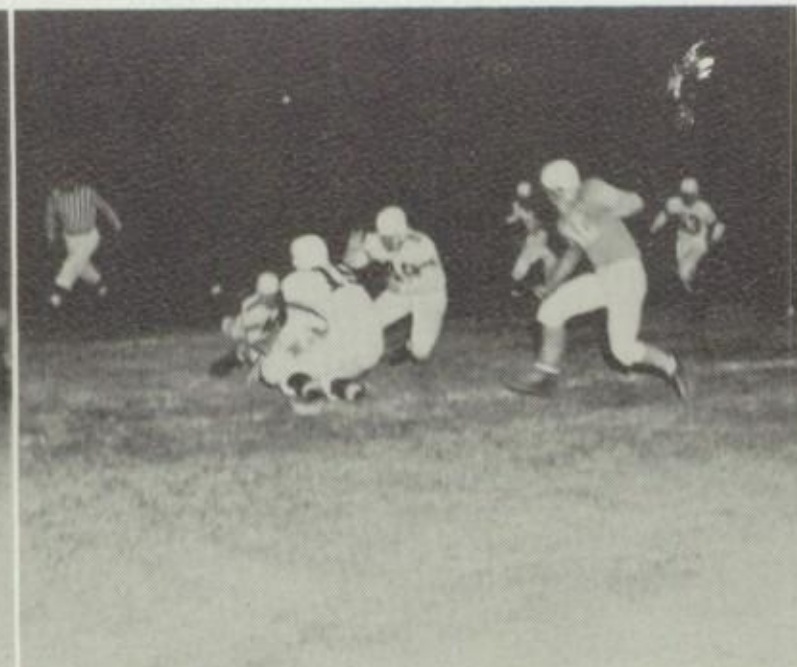
A down made by Turlock



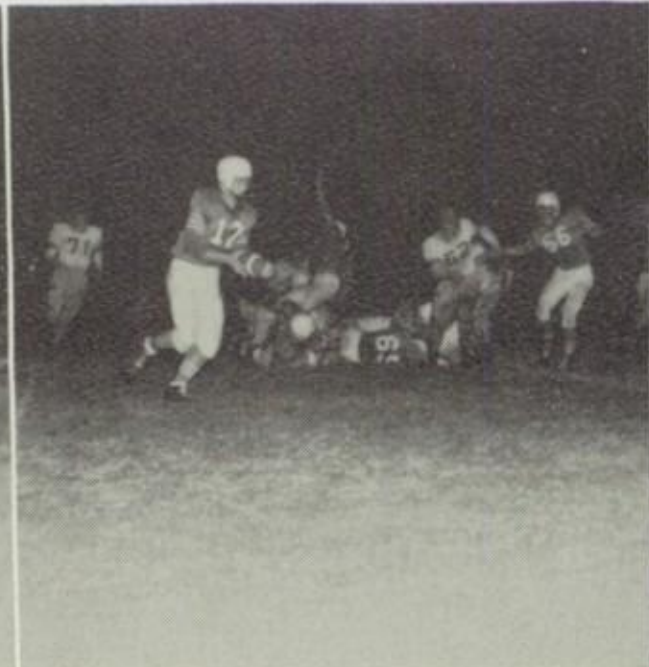
Six more points for Downey



We've got the ball, now let's go



Keep the ball and fox the Wolves



Another jerk on the
Cats' tail

“B” Football Team Sac-Joaquin Champions

The Downey “B” football team claimed the “B” Championship of the Sac-Joaquin League this year as they sparked through the season undefeated, winning eight games and tying one. Under the direction of co-coaches Lyle Iverson and Chuck Johnson, the team performed expertly against the always tough competition of this league. However, the record shows only part of the real success of this team. The fact that the season started and finished with the same fifty boys shows the interest and spirit which was demonstrated by this fine football squad throughout the season.

The Downey Pages employed a very quick and powerful T-formation attack, displaying good solid blocking in the line and some fancy stepping by the many speedy backs. Along with the high-scoring, quick-opening T-formation was a very effective passing attack that kept the opponents’ offense completely baffled throughout the season.

It was quite difficult to single out individual stars on this championship team, because there were so many who put out with 100 per cent effort at all times. However, it seems justifiable to mention the terrific leadership of co-captains Manuel Berbena and Don Bollinger. Others showing the same qualities were: Frank Julius, Ed Davis, Brent Mitchell, and Darrell Scheidegger in the backfield and Tom Brown, Leonard Beuvig, Pete Vella, Ken Hansen, Leigh Price, Gil Meeks, Kent Wright, and Robin Berg in the line. Although some of the players will be back to form a nucleus of another fine “B” team, most of the squad will advance up to help make next year’s varsity team even better than it was this year.

This high scoring “B” team made a total of 265 points while holding its opponents to only 84 points. Don Bollinger threw 14 of Downey’s 17 touchdown passes. Frank Julius caught 7 of these passes and ran to six other touchdowns to lead the scoring for the “B’s”. Robin Berg was the leader in converting, making 19 extra points.

The highlight of the season was the game with El Camino, which was the championship game. The team showed an extra burst of power and drive to score 57 against 6. This gave the “B’s” a clear cut title of championship.

Merced 12	Downey 34	Modesto 13	Downey 13
Grant 13	Downey 31	Turlock 12	Downey 26
Manteca 8	Downey 6	McClatchy . . 20	Downey 32
Lodi 0	Downey 39	El Camino . . . 6	Downey 57
		Woodland . . . 7	Downey 27



The football queen and her attendants
Marlene Neri, Pat Spoon—queen,
Deanna Bispo



“B”

Back row: Charles Burleson, Roger Ebright (mgrs.); Ed Davis, Niles Spencer, Bill Alamsha, Joe Mirabile, Darrel Scheidegger, Larry Prickett, Gary Jackson, Brent Michell, Pat McDaniel, Bob Wagner, Don Bollinger, Roger Baker, Russell Candella, Bruce Ward, Frank Julius; Ralph Magana. Bob Burton, mgrs.

Middle row: Tom Ussery, Gerald Houser, Leighton Smith, Gary Allison, Ronald



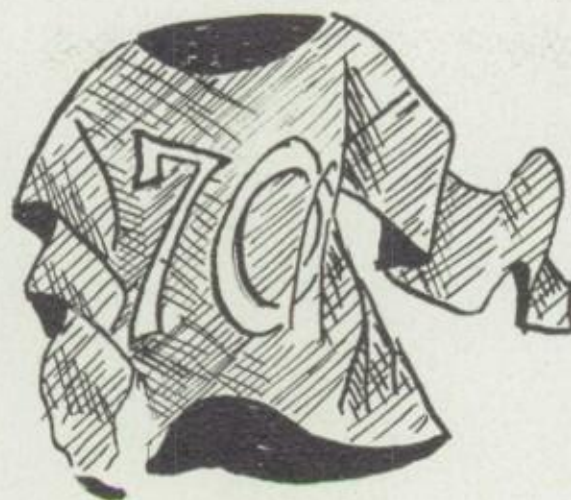
Coaches: Lyle Iverson and
Chuck Johnson

Football

Green, Darrel Brady, Scott Paine, Tom Brown, Roy Thompson, James Langsten, Pete Katsufakis, Robin Berg, Kent Wright, Frank Deniz, Pat White, Shelby Burgin, Chuck Keyes, Stan Crouch, Harold DesJardin, Dave Barnett, mgr.

Front row: Harvey Moreland, Leigh Price, Barry Frantz, Dave Ferrera, Phil Blunt, Pete Vella, John Willinger, Gil Meeks, Manuel Berbena, Ken Hansen, John Borba, Dave Seeger.

"B" FOOTBALL SNAPS

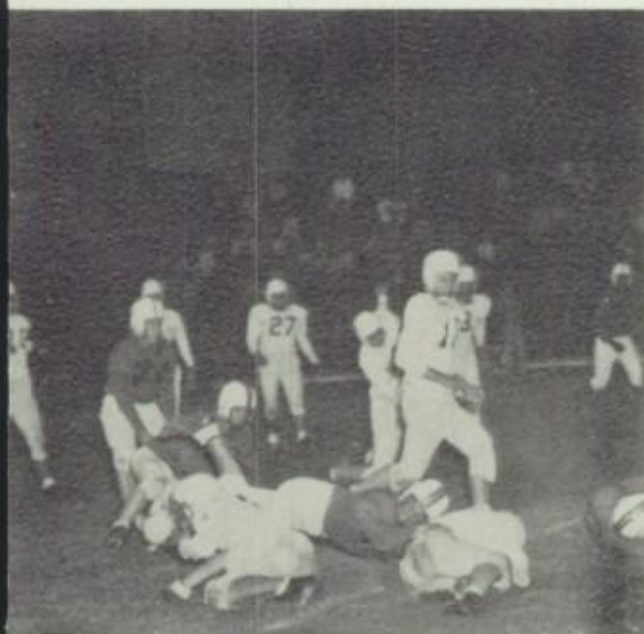


The pages stick together

A mad scramble



Here we go, hey! ? ? ? ?

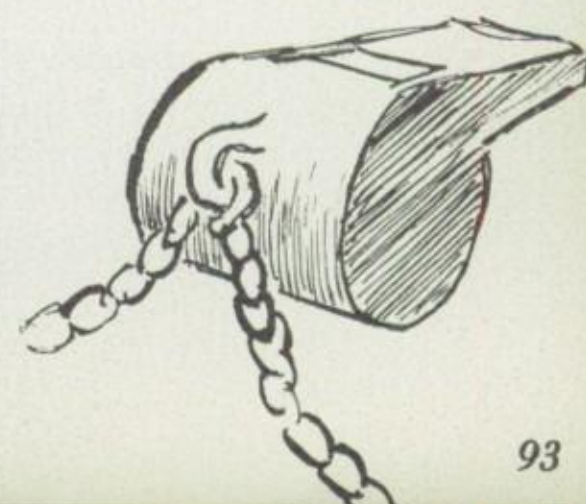


Can't get a good man down



Where's the ball?

Step aside, Ref.





Back row: Mike Downey, Tom Skeen, George Wyatt, Ed Bettencourt, Bill Klaproth, Dick Bettencourt, Merle Aldrin, Ed Bello. Third row: Chuck Fuentes, Wayne Elliott, Bill Kenny, Dave Koester, Don Congrove, Bill Higbee, Pete Cavines. Second row: Barry Princevalle; mgr., Mike Neal, Pete Day, Ted Seal, Larry Burton, Tom Lippert, Jim Gibson, Henry Richardson. Front row: Bob Merritt, Rom Medearis, Gene Hoover, Richard Cogzill, Mike McNulty, Richard Fanning, Jerry Beck.

Freshman-Sophomore "A" Football Team

This team is made up of freshman and sophomore boys of "A" classification. Coached by Bob Taylor and Tom Domitrovich, the team played games against Denair, Modesto, and schools in Stockton. The fact that the team played a much stronger schedule than in the past and suffered several key injuries in the backfield seemed to account for the five losses and one win which the team chalked up for the season. The "A's" showed a lot of advancement as the season progressed and the coaches felt that the boys received a tremendous amount of valuable experience toward their future football careers.

The team's strength lay in the fine line which did an excellent job both on offense and defense. A Split-T formation was used by the team but occasionally the end was split and the fullback flanked. Outstanding players for the "A's" were Richard Bettencourt, Mike McNulty, Keith Foster, Ken Smith, and Larry Burton. Keith Foster was elected captain for the season.

The highlights of the season were two-fold. The first came in the game with Franklin High School, when, after being behind 20-0 at the half, the team scored two touchdowns in the third quarter to make the score 20-14. This strong comeback showed a tremendous desire on the part of the team to win the game. The second highlight was the 25-0 win over Lincoln High School.

Denair 13	Downey 6	Stockton 19	Downey 7
Edison 34	Downey 12	Lincoln 0	Downey 25
Franklin 14	Downey 7	Modesto 19	Downey 0

The Freshman Football Team

With two victories and two defeats in four starts, the Downey Freshman football team enjoyed a fair season in 1955. The most gratifying development proved to be the team's steady improvement throughout the short but helpful season.

The frosh led off the schedule by avenging last year's loss with a 7 to 0 win over Turlock. Probably the highlight of the season was the comeback victory over Turlock in the second meeting between the two teams. Leading and in possession of the ball in the final minutes, Turlock appeared to have the game on ice. However, Downey took over on downs, and sparked by halfback Webb's outstanding pass catch, drove for the game's winning touchdown.

The split-T, yearling team was quarterbacked by Frank Carrillo. Sonny Tillery, left-halfback, gave both Modesto and Turlock plenty of worries on the quick opening plays while Jerry Fenderson at fullback gave enemy linemen additional woes on line smashes and reverses from the flanker spot. The backs were aided by the play of some good hole-openers up front, namely: Jerry Wardin, Chuck Pedrioli, Don Baade, and Dennis Colburt. The first year team didn't pass much, but when they did the passes were snagged by Webb along with Tommy Thompson and Bob Austin.

The freshmen played hard football in all their contests, and in the last of the season elected Chuck Pedrioli as their captain. Ed Maurice was their coach.

Modesto 40	Downey 7	Turlock 13	Downey 20
Turlock 0	Downey 7	Modesto 31	Downey 7

Back row: David Walker, Leroy Del Don, Robert Austin, Ted Fiddler, Allan Thompson, Gerald Fenderson, Tom Muench, Ron Gaskill, Chuck Pedrioli, Don Cripe, Jerry Clark, William Withuin. Third row: Everett Drum, Lynn Webb, Mike Parsons, Gary Gilbert, Sonny Tillery, Talmadge Magness, David Shaefer, Paul DeHart, Robert Olson, Douglas Weilburg, Robert Ayers. Second row: Boyd Davis, John Dalla, Jerry Wardin, Steven McDonald, Charles Woods, Delwin Wallace, Jerry Roberts, Jack Millsap, Phillip Stolp, Don Baade, Ken Reeves, John Garcia. Front row: Gary Wright, Ron Luiz, Hampton Monks, Frank Carrillo, Allan Brown, Phillip Martin, Raymond Gonzales, Charles Howell, James Ward, Dennis Colbert. Not pictured: Ronald Jacobs, Richard Cameron, and Calvin Scott (manager).





Back row: Mario Morganti, Bob Smith, Herschel Sanders, Jerry Pack. Third row: Bob Beyer, Mark Carter, Al Terry, Noel Bradley. Second row: Richard Garvey, Dave Simm, Rod Feldman, Jerry Lawrence. Front row: Mike Graham, Curtis Grant, Glenn Davis, Bob Bowker.

Varsity Basketball Team

Varsity Basketball Team

Confronted by a complete rebuilding program which centered around only two returning varsity members, the Knights' basketball fortunes for 1956 almost collapsed in complete bankruptcy. Taking over the reins in his first year as head coach, Bob Taylor was forced to work with a squad which was very inexperienced in varsity ball.

With Noel Bradley, the one returning letterman, and Jerry Pack as the only two varsity returnees, Taylor had to rely on new material to round out the first team. Marcus Carter, Herschel Sanders, and Jerry Lawrence were all brought up from the strong Sophomore "A" team, along with Al Terry from the "B" squad.

However, the game most likely to be remembered by Downey fans was the frustrating double overtime loss to Modesto High. Apparently having victory in grasp for the first time over the Panthers with a few seconds remaining, the Knights were victims of a stunning 74-72 loss.

One glance at the seasonal record will indicate that the Knights lost several games by two points and a few more by three or four points.

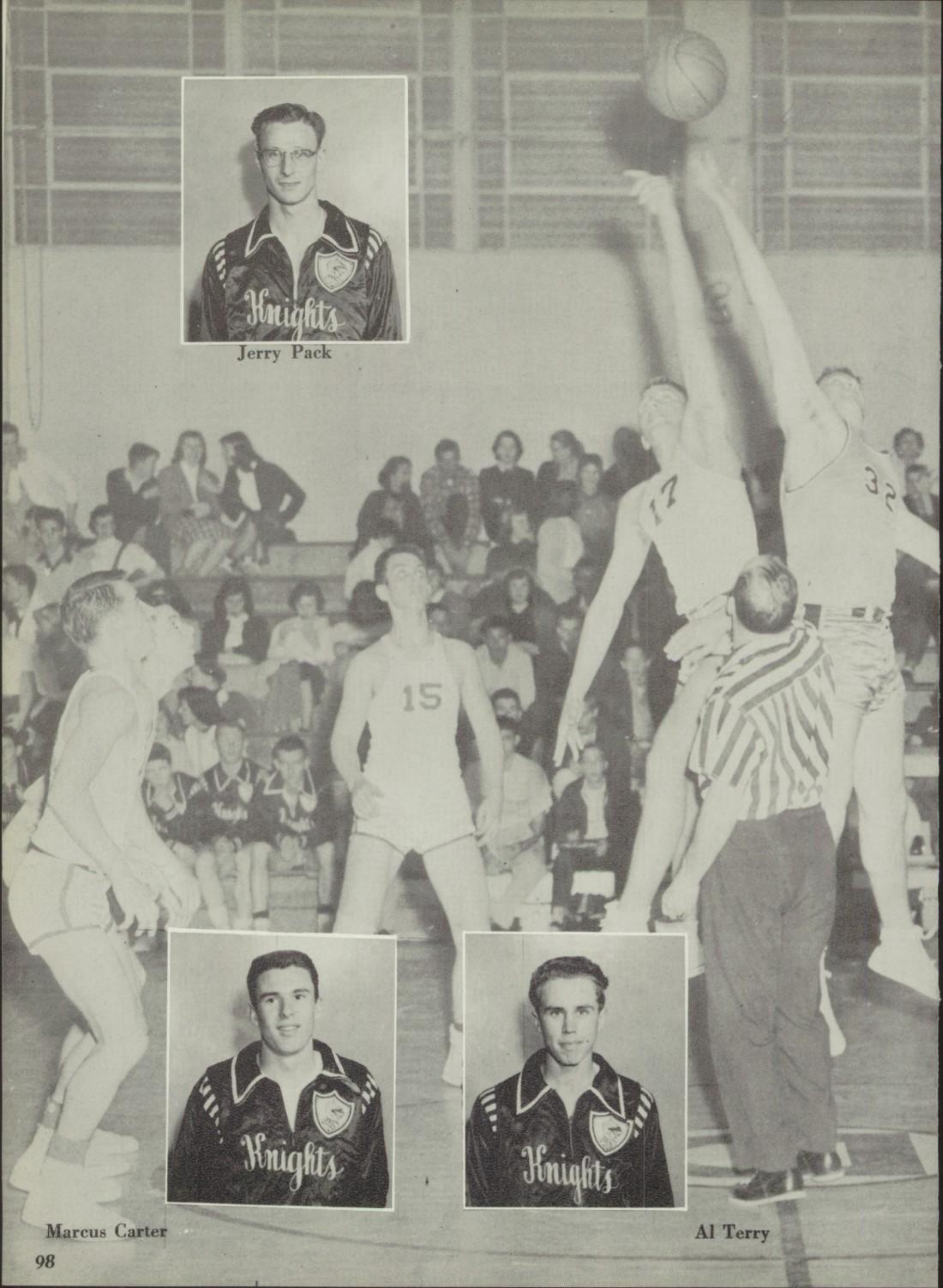
In a short summary of the season, Coach Taylor commented that lack of consistency hurt the Blue and White throughout the entire season. When the Knights were "on," they were capable of top-flight basketball but in almost every game a cold streak ruined chances for victory.

The Knights were led by senior forward Noel Bradley, the team's leading scorer and one of the better defensive players in the Sac-Joaquin League. Marcus Carter and Al Terry also played an important role in the scoring department. Bradley and Terry were elected team co-captains for the year.

Playing their last season for Downey were Noel Bradley, Glenn Davis, Richard Garvey, Mike Graham, Curtis Grant, Jerry Pack, and Al Terry. Next season promises to hold a brighter future, as six lettermen return to anchor the team for the Knights.



Jerry Pack



Marcus Carter



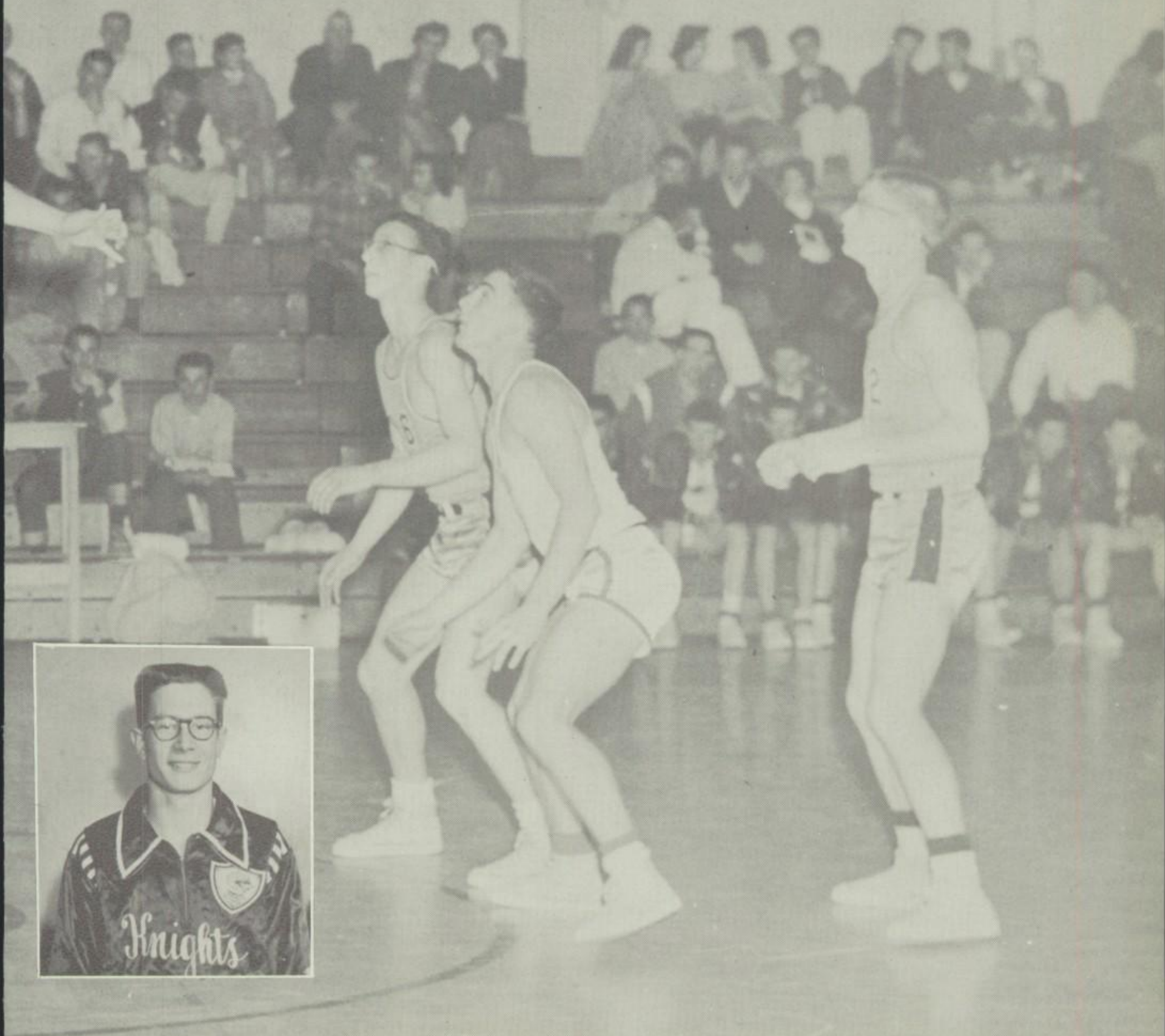
Al Terry



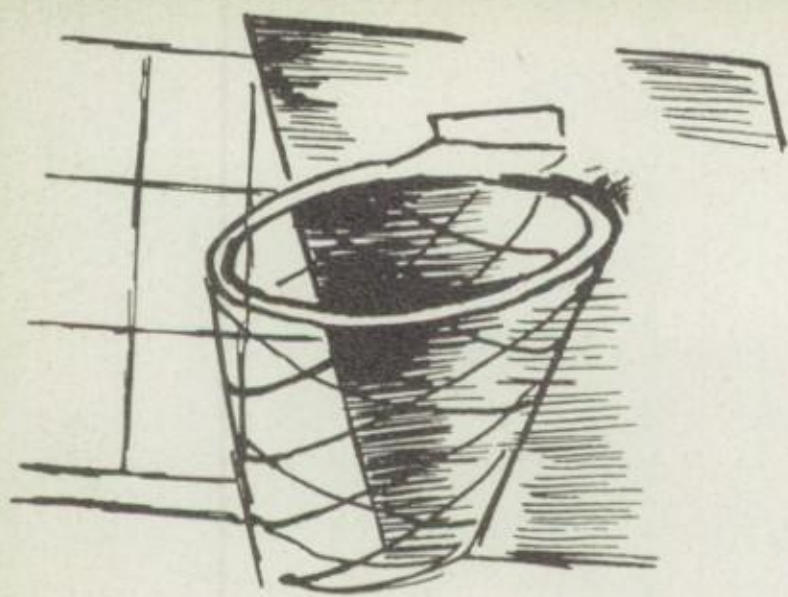
Jerry Lawrence



Herschel Sanders



Noel Bradley



Where's the ball?



Teachers make good players!

Watch out from behind.



Everybody has to get in the act.

Our star Chuck Hughes.





Tip it in, Maley.



Grab that ball!

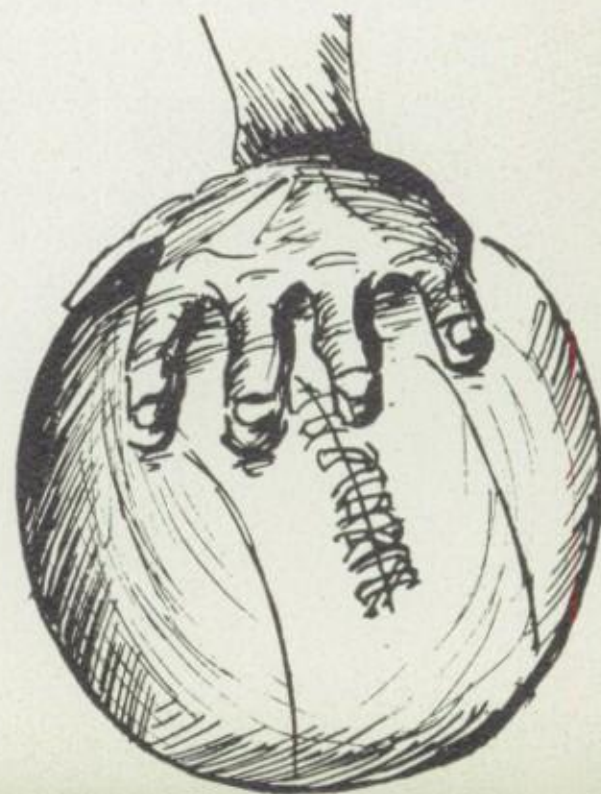


Pounce the Panthers????

It's a ringer!



Knights smother the Flames.





"B" TEAM

Back Row: John Willinger, Stan Crouch, Leonard Maley, Gary Jesperson, Al Dixon. Second Row: Jerry Reimer, Tom Muench, Rufus Santos, Larry Prickett, Dick Lippert. Front Row: Kieth Beyer, Darrel Brady, Paul Weaver, Forrest Robinson, Scott Reed.

"B" BASKETBALL TEAM

The 1955-56 "B" Basketball team enjoyed a very successful season. It sported a league record of ten wins and three losses and an overall record of sixteen wins and five losses. The "B's" were in the running for league championship for the greater part of the season. However, losing a few crucial games to Sacramento, Turlock, and Modesto put them in second place behind Sacramento. The "B's" displayed a tremendous amount of hustle throughout the season and were putting out 100 percent effort at all times. Probably the most spectacular game of the season was the Modesto game at Modesto when the Pages dumped their cross-town rivals by twelve points. Freshman Tom Muench recorded a new Downey "B" scoring record of thirty-one points in that game and also showed the fans what can be expected from the varsity in the future. Outstanding players for the Pages were seniors, Rufus Santos and Leonard Maley; Juniors Jerry Reimer, Donald Bollinger, and Keith Beyers; Freshman Tom Muench. The manager for the "B's" was John Willinger.

Freshman Basketball Team

Back Row:

B. Thomas, D. Gilton,
T. Thompson, A. Romey,
T. Quinn, S. McDonald,
A. Lopez, M. Parson.

Front Row:

E. Bello, T. Shien, M.
Downey.



FRESHMAN BASKETBALL TEAM

The Freshman Basketball team fared well through the 1956 season, winning five of their thirteen games. They played teams of the same classification from Ceres, Modesto, Turlock, Edison, Franklin, and Stockton high schools. Coach Keever Jankovich and the team selected Don Lynn, a forward, as their most valuable player.

SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL TEAM

Tom Domitrovich coached the Sophomore Basketball team in their thirteen games of the 1956 season. They opposed teams from Modesto, Ceres, Turlock, Edison, Franklin, and Stockton high schools. They won one game with Ceres. Jim Langston, Gene Lewis, Pat McDaniels and Tom Lippert were outstanding players on the team.

SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL TEAM

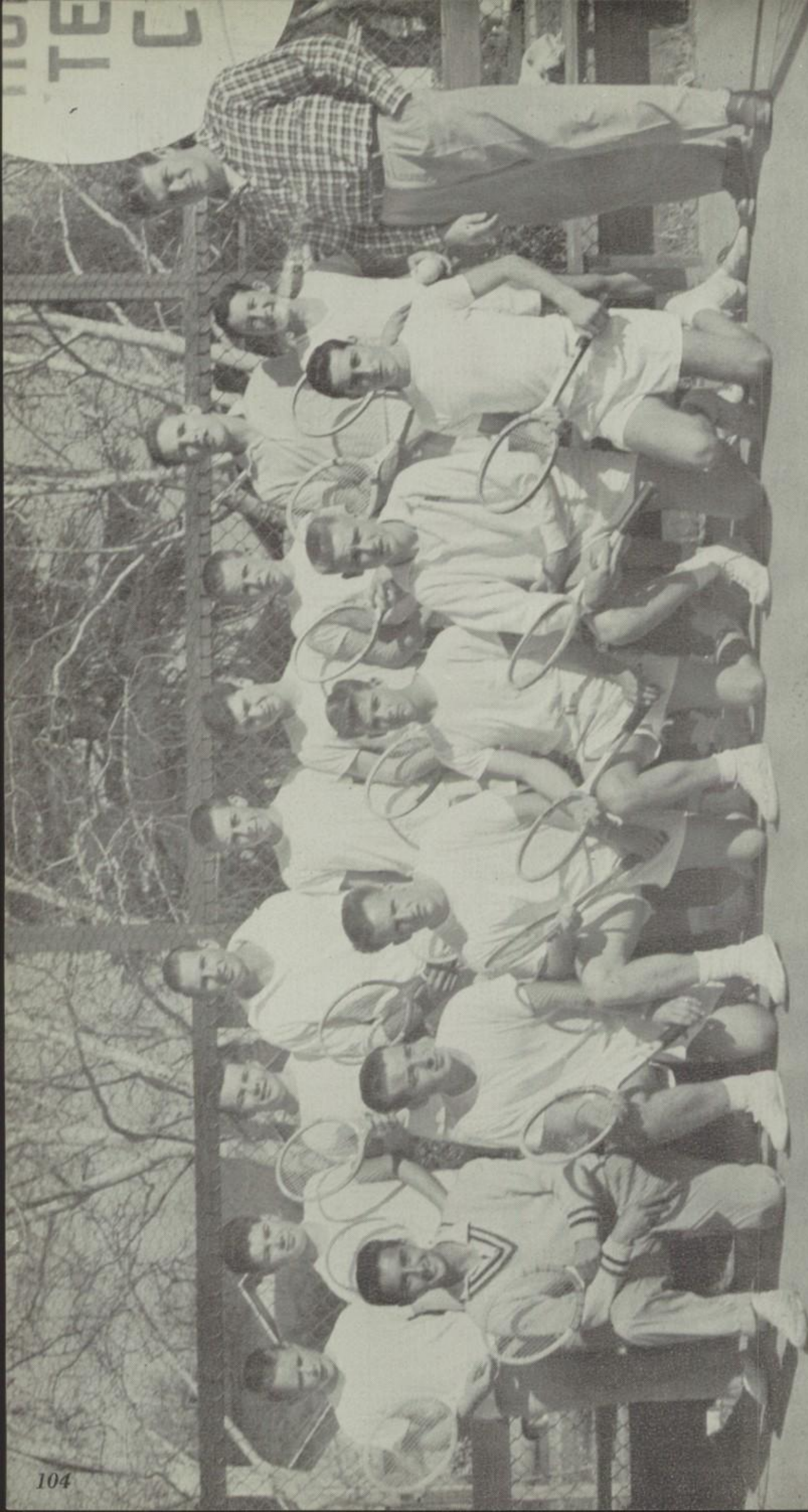
Back Row:

B. Elliot
B. Jenkins
T. Lippert
R. Garvey
G. Ashton
M. Odell
G. Lewis
J. Langston
R. Jones

Front Row:

R. Lee
P. McDaniel
B. Meyers
T. Frowien
R. Candella

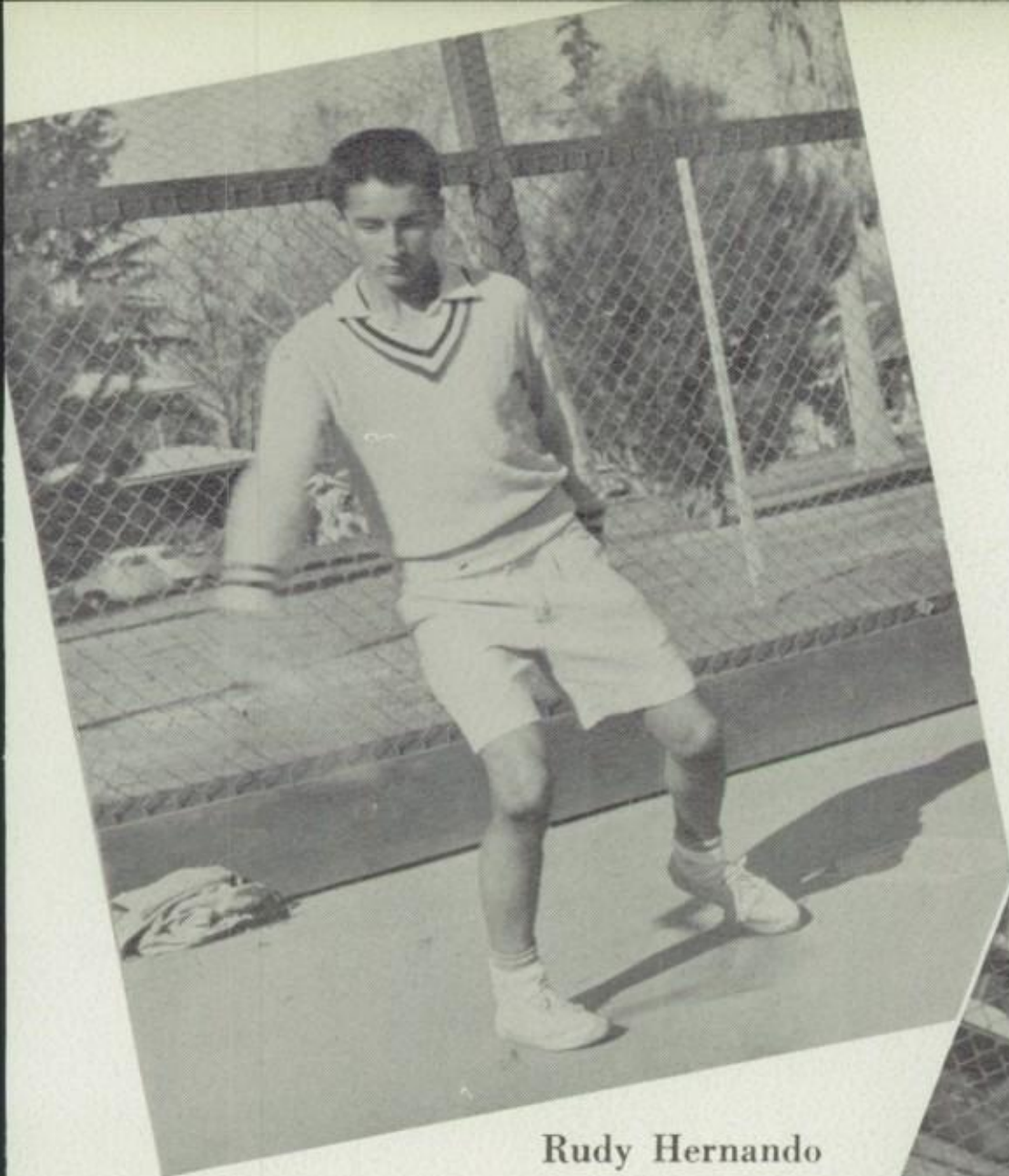




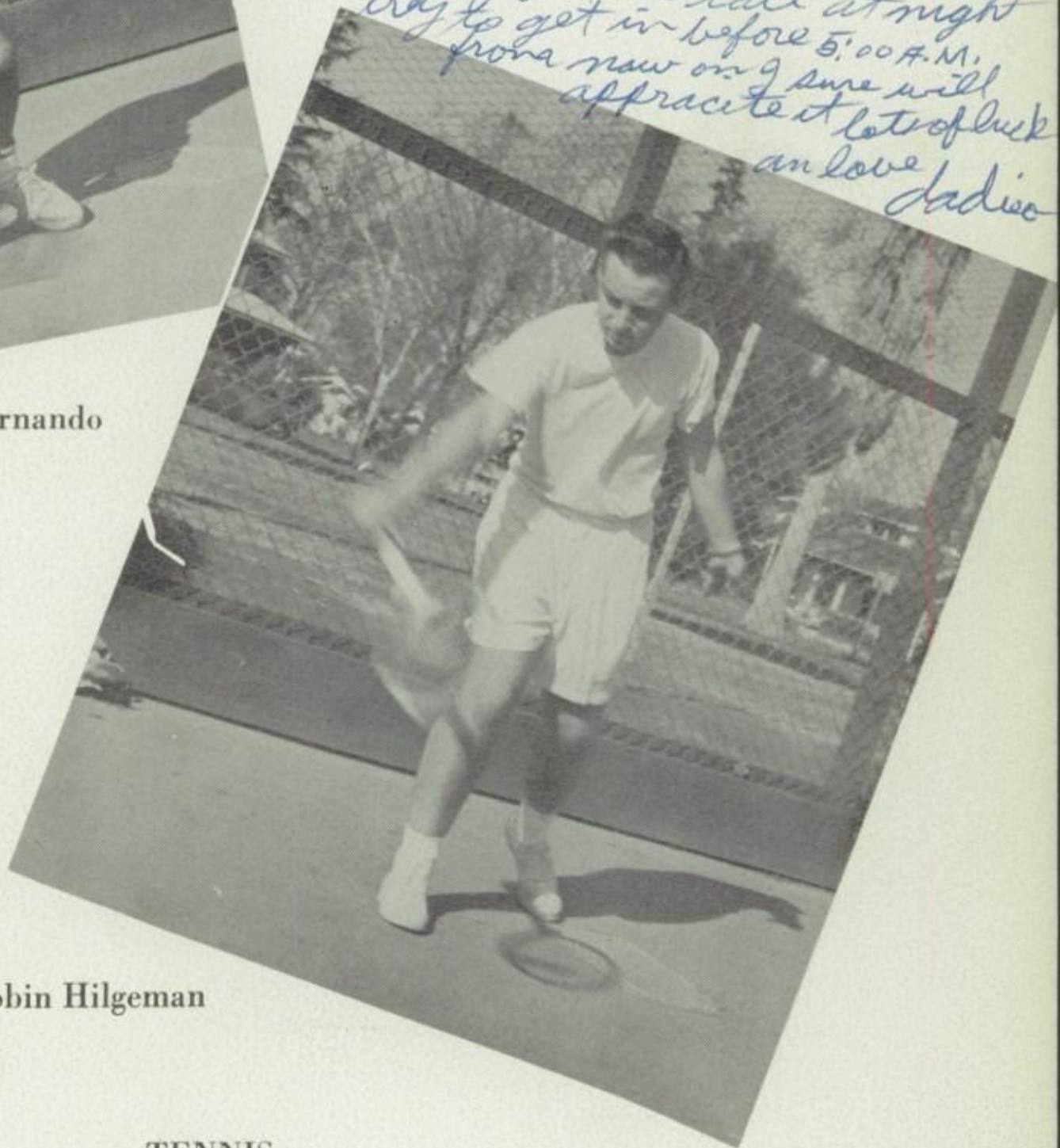
The Tennis Team

Back row: Bert Carner, Bennie Goodman, Ken Reeves, Bill Chase, Fred Thiemann, Bill Graham, Gary Wycoff, Roddy Feldman, Micky Kennedy, Mr. Jankovich— coach. Front row: Rudy Hernando, Robin Hingleman, Jack Griffin, Bill Harader, Tom Muench, Gregory Merciadis.

Pictured above is the 1956 Tennis Team. This team had a very successful season and was coached by Mr. Jankovich.



Rudy Hernando



Robin Hilgeman

TENNIS

Once again Downey boasts a strong tennis team; in fact, the strongest in the school's history. Downey has the unusual record, in this sport, of never having lost a match in league play. Two years in succession the Knights were champions of the strong Sac-Joaquin League, and the predictions are for another undefeated season in the year to come. Many of the players have won trophies in tournaments throughout the state and two members, Rudy Hernando and Robin Hilgeman, have played in and won tournaments in Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. These two will enter both singles and doubles in the National Junior Tennis Championships in Kalamazoo, Michigan. The other regular varsity players were: Jack Griffin, Bill Harader, Greg Merciadès, Tom Muench, and Mickey Kennedy. The Junior Varsity team consisted of: Bert Carner, Bennie Goodman, Ken Reeves, Bill Chase, Fred Thiemann, Bill Graham, Gary Wycoff, and Roddy Feldman. Mr. Keever Jankovich coached the successful team.

6-15-56
 Dear son Duval
 I hope you do every
 thing which I have
 tried to tell you I hope
 you will understand
 things, as you go through
 life I can't get over you
 staying out so late at night
 try to get in before 5:00 A.M.
 from now on I sure will
 appreciate it lots of luck
 an love
 Dadisco

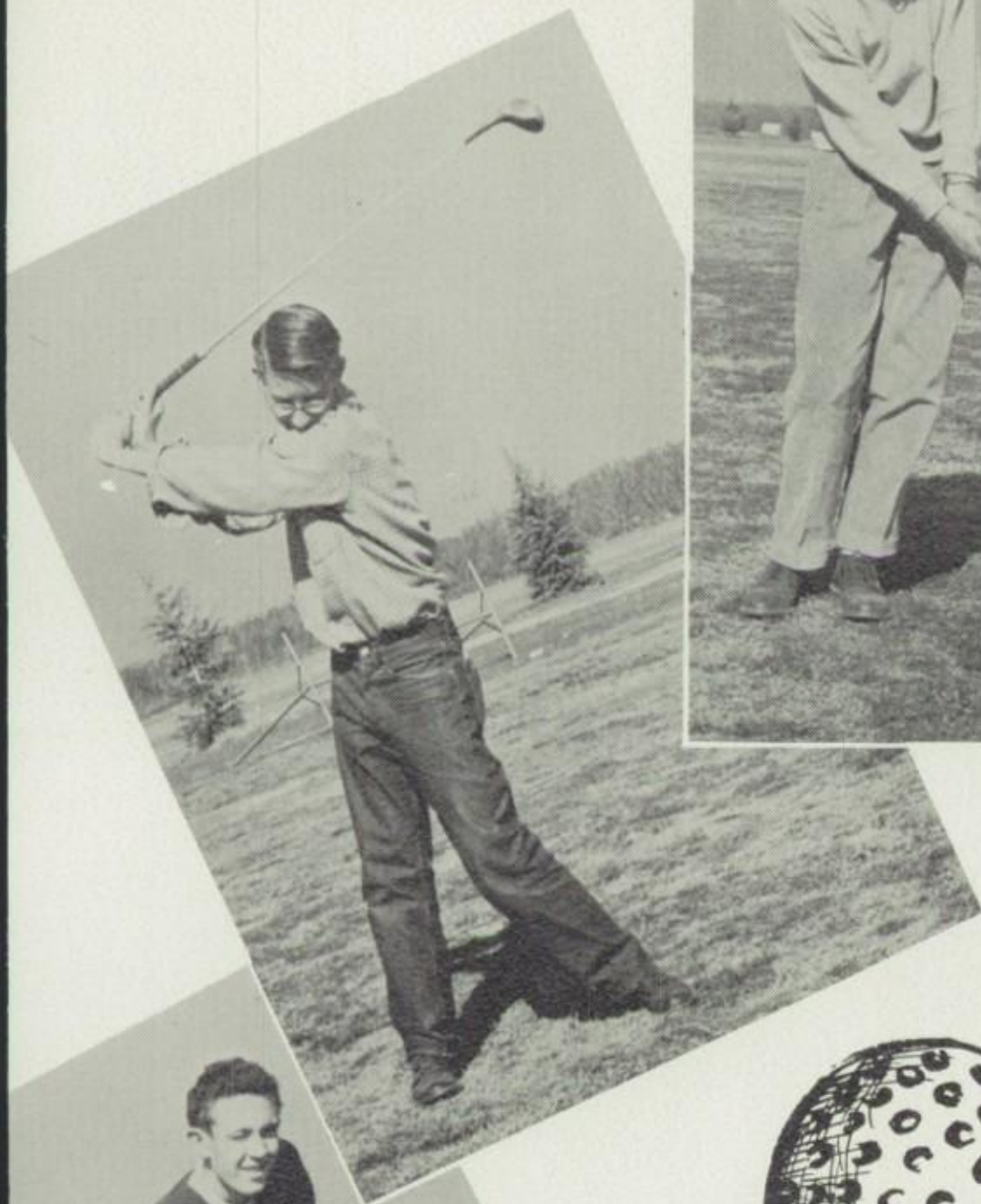


Golf Team

Back Row: Dennis Wilson, Steve Collins, Mike Graham, Reggie Gaarde, Noel Bradley, Gary West, Al Dixon, Mr. Hughes—coach. Front Row: Dick Elliott, Gary Tanner, Carl Ulrich, Billy Thomas, Ray Gonzales, Mike Barker.

Pictured above is the 1956 Downey High School golf team. This team showed great improvement over the 1955 season. They practiced every day at the Modesto Municipal Golf Course during sixth period under the supervision of Coach Chuck Hughes.

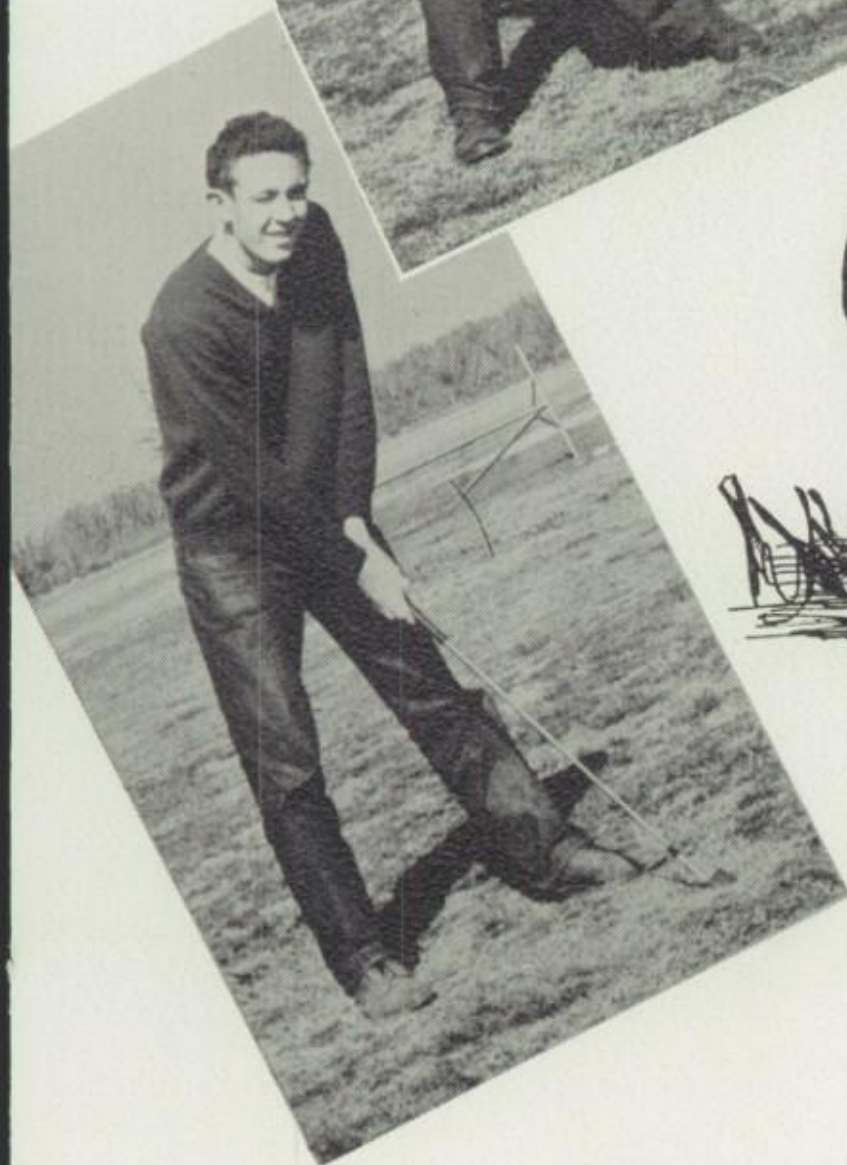
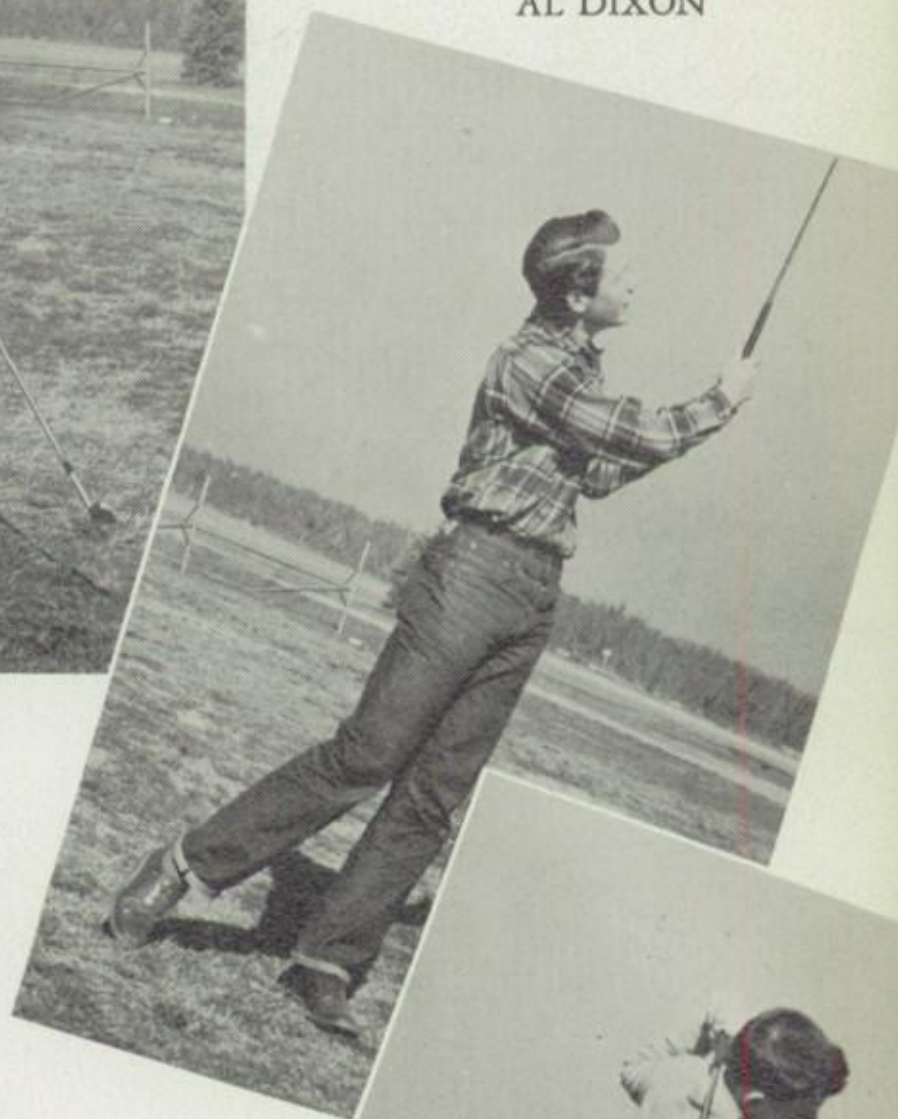
DENNIS WILSON



MIKE BARKER



AL DIXON



Left: GARY WEST

Right: STEVE COLLINS



GOLF TEAM

The 1956 Downey High School golf team was again made up of boys in their ninth, tenth, and eleventh year of school. Most of the boys had improved their golf game considerably from the 1955 season. The conference was much tougher this year than ever before. Lodi, Turlock, Stockton, and Modesto High Schools were extremely strong. Lodi High School, the defending league champions, had its entire squad returning and were naturally the favorite to win again in 1956. Although this year's team finished low in the league standing, things are looking up at Downey for greater possibilities within the next two years.



THE OUTSTANDING VARSITY

Rufus Santos — left field; Pepper Rob-
inette—center field; Gregory York—right
field; Fred Kusrow—shortstop; Harold
Whitehead—third base; Don Harvey—



Coach Chuck Johnson.

BASEBALL PLAYERS

second base; Dick Lo Forti—first base;
Larry Jenkins — pitcher; Bill Heath —
catcher.

The boys selected for the starting lineup are chosen by Coach Chuck Johnson according to their skill and experience. These players usually begin each game and, as the game proceeds, are replaced by second and third strings. Only four boys have played before but many are from the preceding year's "B" and Freshman teams.



Back Row: Mr. Johnson, W. Clem, P. Robinette, R. Nelson, R. Barton, B. Jenkins, J. Williams, G. Lewis, D. Simm, F. Kusrow, L. Jenkins, D. Wallace. Second Row: B. Heath, C. Grant, T. Vallee, G. Rice, J. Kincannon, D. Bollinger, R. Santos, B. Turner, G. Houser, D. Lo Forti. Front Row: G. Sharp, G. York, J. Renolds, D. Harvey, J. Mirabile, R. Duffy, H. Whitehead, M. Berbena, G. Jackson, B. Day.

The Varsity Baseball Team

The Varsity Baseball team this year had its strongest team in Downey's short history. It seemed that the team would end up toward the top of the League. Most of last year's starting lineup returned so our varsity this year was quite experienced. Coach Chuck Johnson predicted a very good season if the pitching improved and the players hit when they had runners on base.

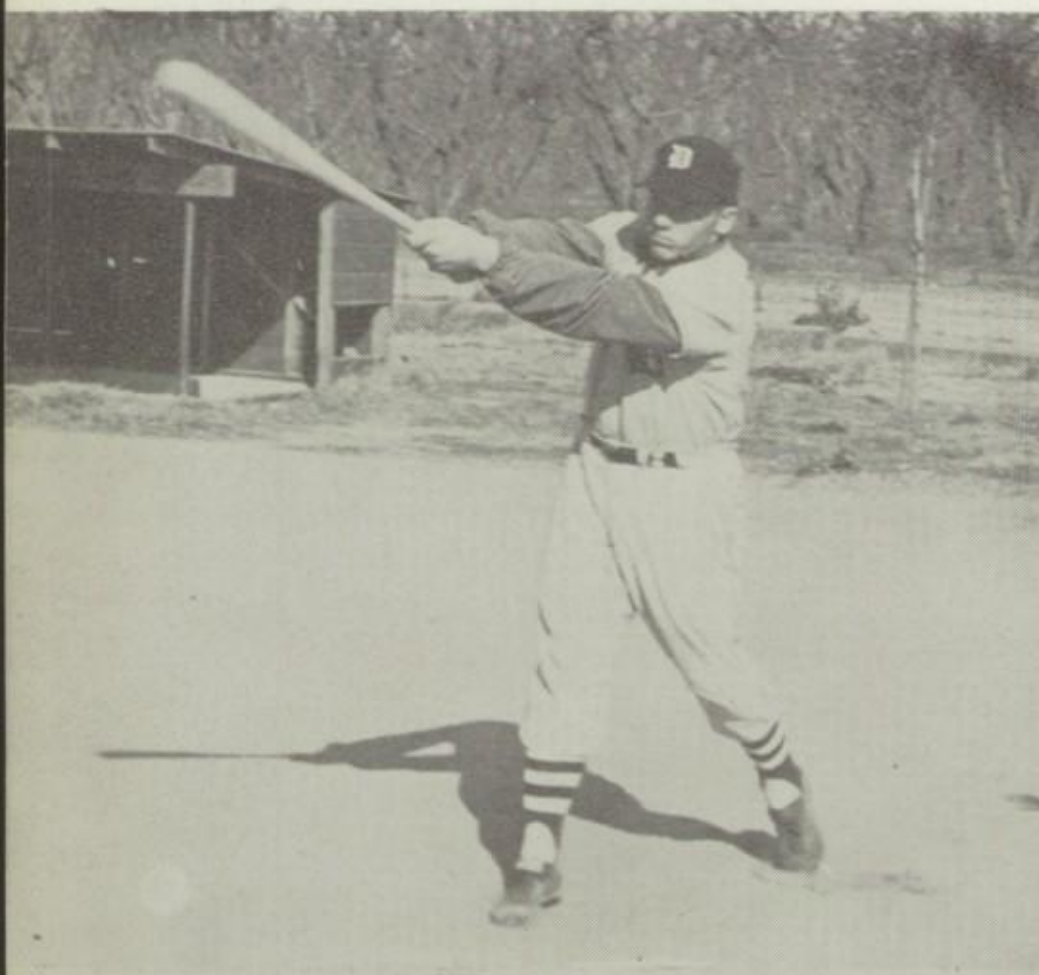
Outstanding players were: Bill Heath, Jerry Nelson, Ron Barton, and Gerald Houser; Pitcher—Larry Jenkins, Bobby Jenkins, Bob Day, Grover Rice, Tom Vallee, and Jim Williams; First base—Jerry Nelson, Larry Jenkins, and Dick Lo Forti; Second base—Don Harvey; Third base—Harold Whitehead and Frand Julius; Shortstop—Fred Kusrow and Don Bollinger; and Outfielders—Rufus Santos, Pepper Robinette, Greg York, Grover Rice, Bob Day, Bill Turner, and Dave Simm.



The pitcher warms up
(Larry Jenkins)



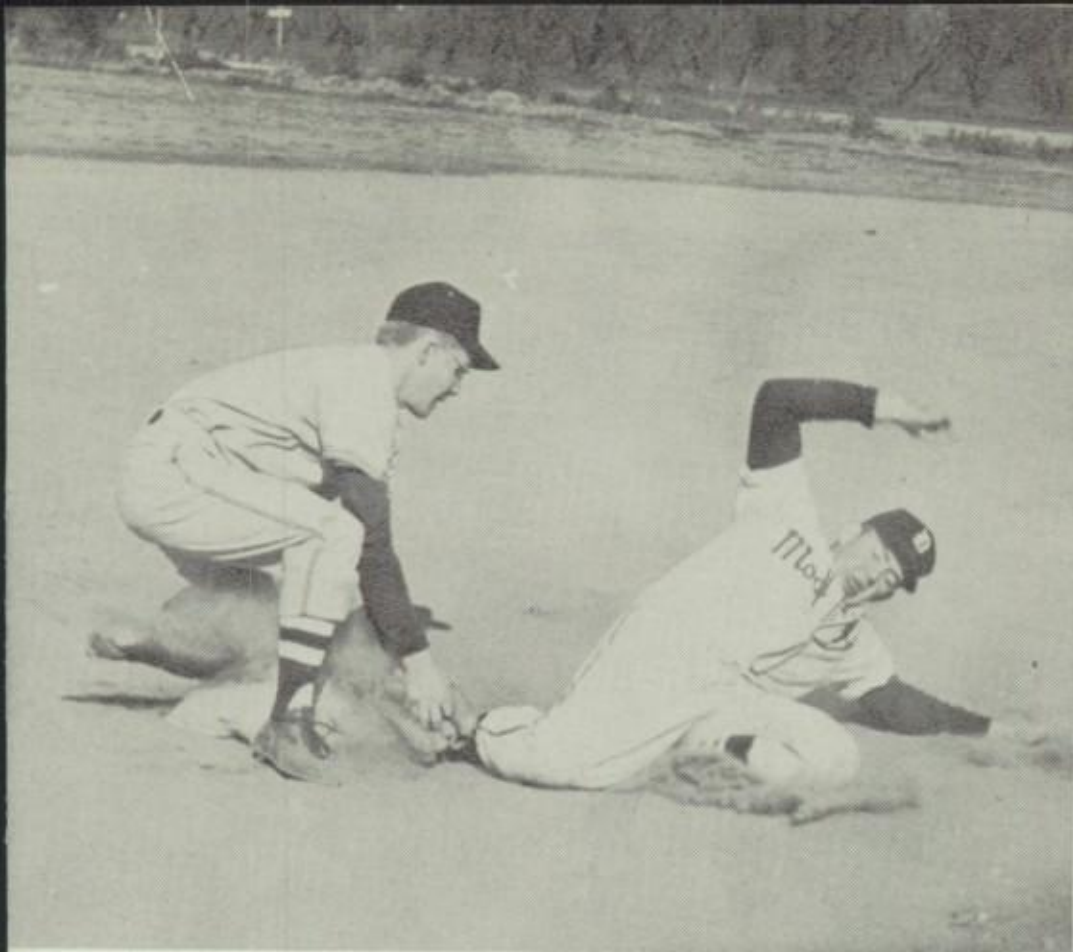
by throwing a pitch to the catcher . . .
(Bill Heath and Don Wallace)



The game begins as the batter comes
up and it's a hit! . . .
(Bill Heath)



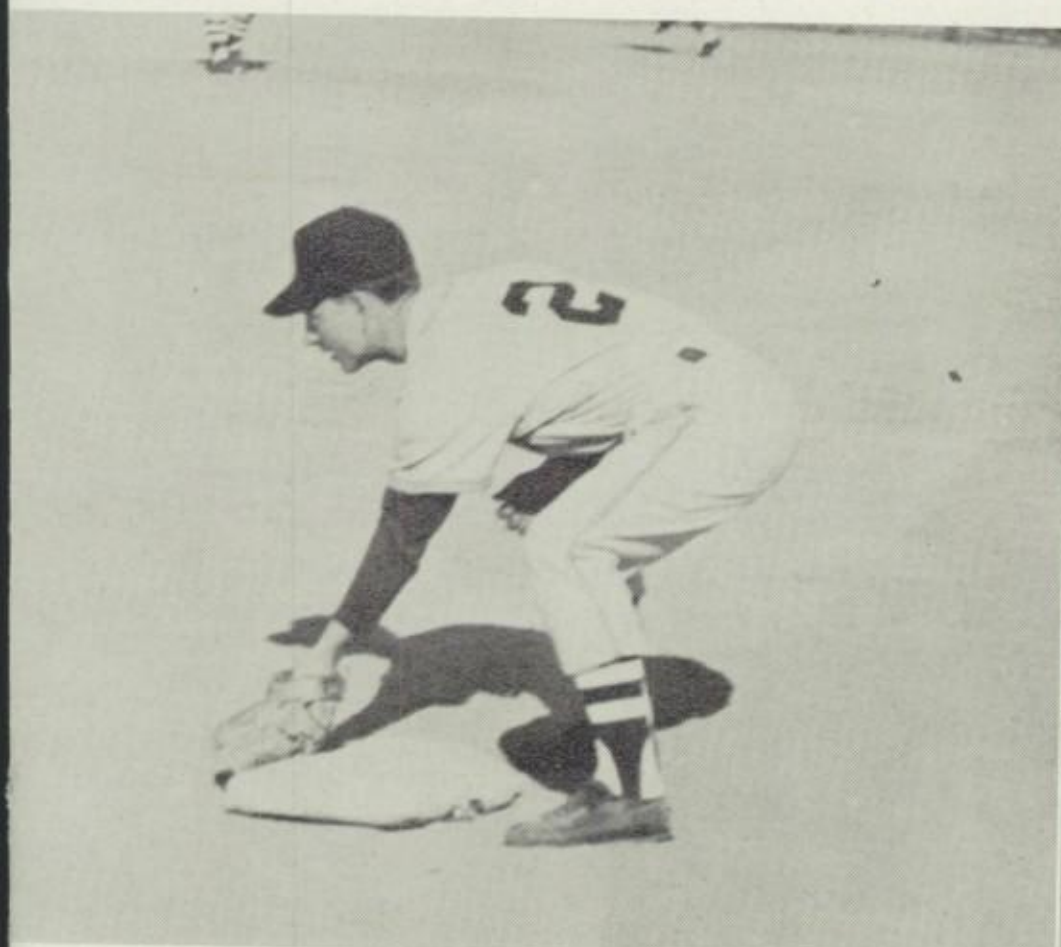
So, he runs to first as the first baseman
awaits the ball. But, he misses it . . .
(Jerry Nelson and Dave Simm)



and the runner goes on and slides
in at second . . .
(Don Harvey and Bill Turner)



A mighty hitter comes up and hits . . .
(Pepper Robinette, Bill Heath,
and Don Wallace)



Third base prepares for the next
play but . . .
(Harold Whitehead)



Third base missed the ball and the run-
ner gets on to home plate only to have
the catcher get the ball and put him
out.

(Manuel Berbena and Bill Heath)



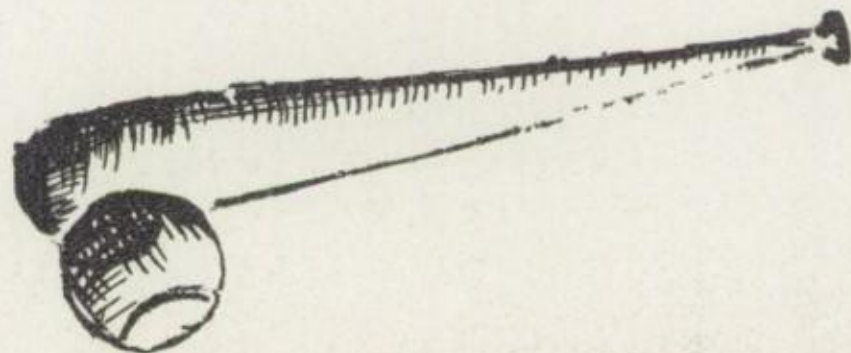
Back Row: Berry Princevalle, Stan Crouch, Gary Ashton, Larry Prickett, Gene Lewis, Larry Albers, Darrell Brady, Harold Swenson, Ricky Fanning, Coach Joe Myers. Second Row: Paul Bruce, Henry Richardson, Bob Wagner, Pat White, Tom Ussery, Fred Hobson, Lynn Schuler. Front Row: Dan Converse, Mel Rodriques, Rudy Berbena, Tom Nelson, Ron Green.

"B" Baseball Team

The "B" Baseball Team of 1956 played fifteen games including matches with Lodi, Turlock, Edison, Franklin, Stockton, Modesto High, and a game with the Merced Junior Varsity Baseball Team.

The team's leading players were: Pitchers—Paul Bruce, Larry Albers, and Lynn Schuler; catchers—Henry Richardson, Darrell Brady, Bob Wagner, and Harold Swenson; first basemen—Gene Lewis and Ricky Fanning; second basemen—Pat White and Tom Nelson; shortstop—Larry Prickett; third basemen—Larry Albers and Darrell Brady; left fielders—Paul Bruce, Gary Ashton, and Larry Albers; center fielders—Stan Crouch and Tom Ussery; right fielders—Lynn Schuler and Tom Langston.

Twelve of the boys that played on the "B" team this year are definitely prospects for the varsity team. The purpose of the "B" team is to train the boys for the varsity team. Their coach was Mr. Joe Myers.





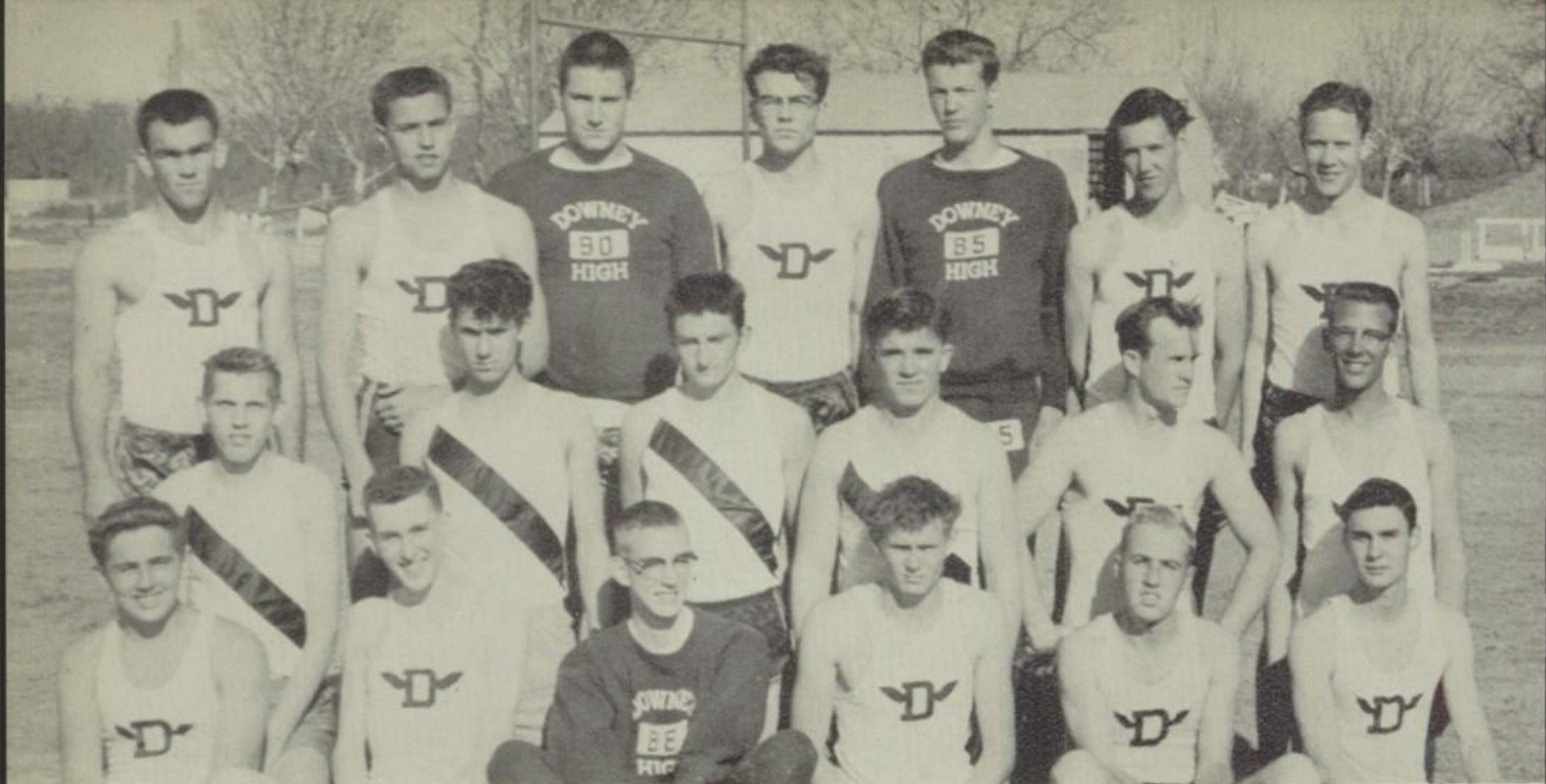
The Freshman Baseball Team

The Freshman Baseball squad showed promise of equaling crack yearling teams of the past. Outstanding prospects appeared at all posts except on the mound. The team faced a formidable slate of five diamond foes in their fourteen game slate. Early season drills showed the fol-

lowing promising players: Tony Lopez, Richard Tirado, Frank Carrillo, Al Tillery, Merle Alldrin, Jim Hamilton, Lynn Webb, Larry Butterfield, Al Thompson and Steve Zeigler. The team was coached by Mr. Domitrovich. The managers were Gene Hoover and Ed Bello.

Back Row: Ed Bello, Rick Tirado, Bob Austin, Ted Fidler, David Gilton, Delwin Wallace, Jim Lewis, Jerry Cobb, Eugene Hoover (MGR). Second Row: Merle Aldrin, Dennis Colbert, Lynn Webb, Tom Thompson, Gary Taylor, Jerry Warden, Jim Hamilton, Steve Zeigler. Front Row: Larry Butterfield, David Walker, Sonny Tillery, Anthony Lopez, Frank Carrillo, Dick Lightner, Jerry Fenderson, Jerry Nugent, Bob Ayres.





"A" Track

Back Row: Rudy Owens, John Jones, Herschel Sanders, Joe Dieu, Jerry Lawrence, Lee Baker, Larry Bevier.
 Second Row: Dan Johnston, Wayne Elliott, Dick Garvey, Lester Ruth, Norman Lacina, Richard Alves.
 Front Row: Robert Barton, Grant Sherlock, Gaar May, Jerry Baxley, Bob Bowker, Dave Triplett.

Track

The 1956 prospects for the "A," "B," and "C" track teams looked the brightest of any in Thomas Downey High's short but eventful track history. The "A" team, led by junior Herschel Sanders, shot putter, and senior Dave Triplett, sprinter, will probably give everyone but Stockton College plenty of competition. Sanders put the shot 53' 10" and Triplett ran 10.2 in the 100-yard dash and 22.8 in the 220-yard dash. Both boys are expected to improve this year.

The "B" team is expected to be conference and sectional championship contenders because of an abundance of sprinters and depth in the field events. Names like Roger Baker—sprinter; Glen Bauman—pole-vaulter; Kent Wright—shot-putter; Gary Jespersen—high jumper; Robin Berg—sprinter and hurdler; Frank Deniz—hurdler; and many others bless the "B" team with tremendous talent potential.

The "C" team this year is an unknown quantity with virtually no returning veterans. The ranks of this team must be filled by freshmen with little previous track experience.

The teams this year will perform in their usual dual and qualifying meets, but there is something new—the "City Relays" with Modesto High School. This is the first year for this event, which includes relay event instead of any individual events, and it will probably be the most interesting of all the team's meets.



The coaches of the track teams are: Mr. Richard Knox, Mr. Lyle Iverson, and Mr. Ed Maurice.



HURDLES

Joe Dieu, Dick Norquist, Mark Knoles, Dick Alves, Jerry Baxley.



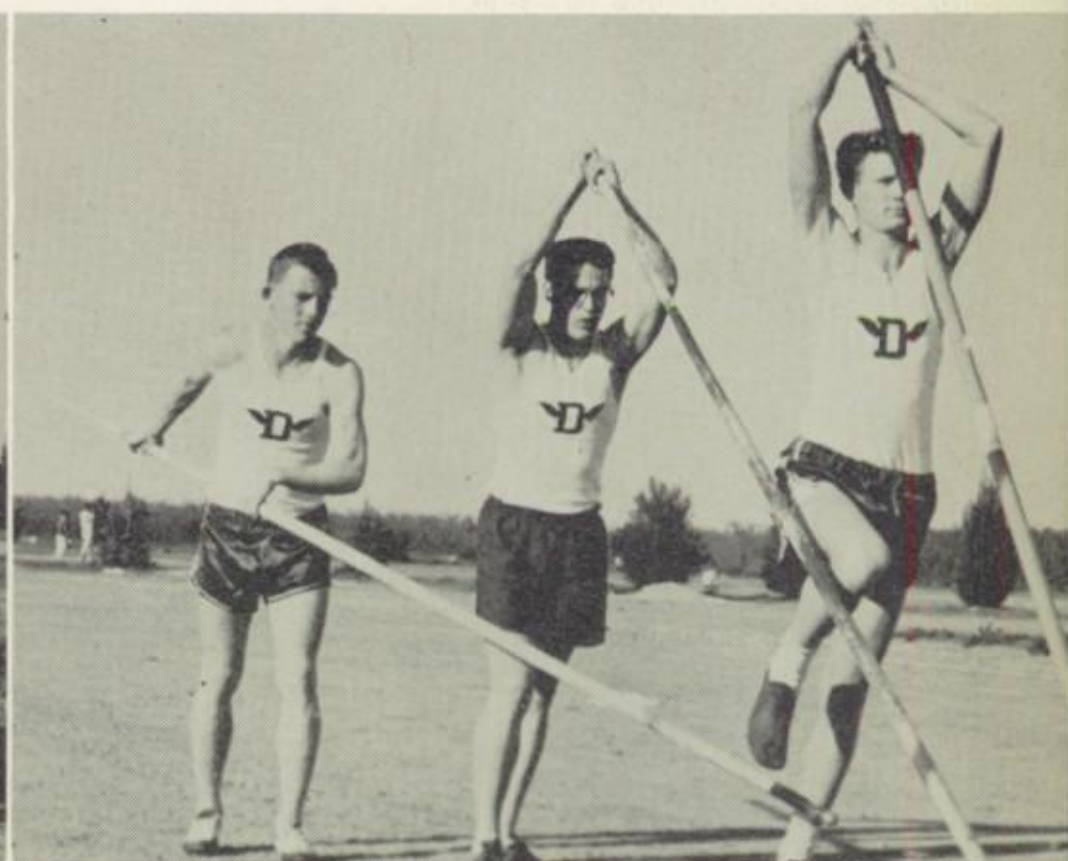
BROAD JUMP

Jerry Baxley, Ray Ward, Rudy Owens.



DISTANCE

Larry Bevier, Garr May, Leroy Baker.



POLE VAULT

Ray Ward, Bob Wilkinson, Jerry Baxley.



SHOT PUT

John Willinger, Tom Brown, Kent Wright, Rudy Owens, Herschel Sanders.



SPRINTERS

Larry Divichi, Leonard Burke, Scott Paine, Jay Baker, Paul Weaver, Keith Beyer.



"B" TRACK TEAM

Back Row: Glenn Bauman, David Odell, Paul Weaver, Pete Katsufakis, Mike Downey, Scott Paine, Dick Jaggard, Tony Bedford, Gary Jesperson, Chuck Pedrioli, Tom Skeen, Jim Curely, Dick Lippert. Second Row: Keith Beyers, Leigh Price, Jay Baker, Brent Mitchell, Darrell Schidiger, Larry Divichi, Kent Wright, Darrell Miller, Mark Knoles, Tony Walker. First Row: Jim Beard, Gary Allison, Tom Bailey, Robin Berg, Roger Baker, Leonard Burke, Tom Brown, John Willinger, Wilfred Johnson, Van Wilber.



"A" RELAY TEAM

Norman Lacina, Bob Bowker, Larry Bevier, L. A. Bandy, Dave Triplett.



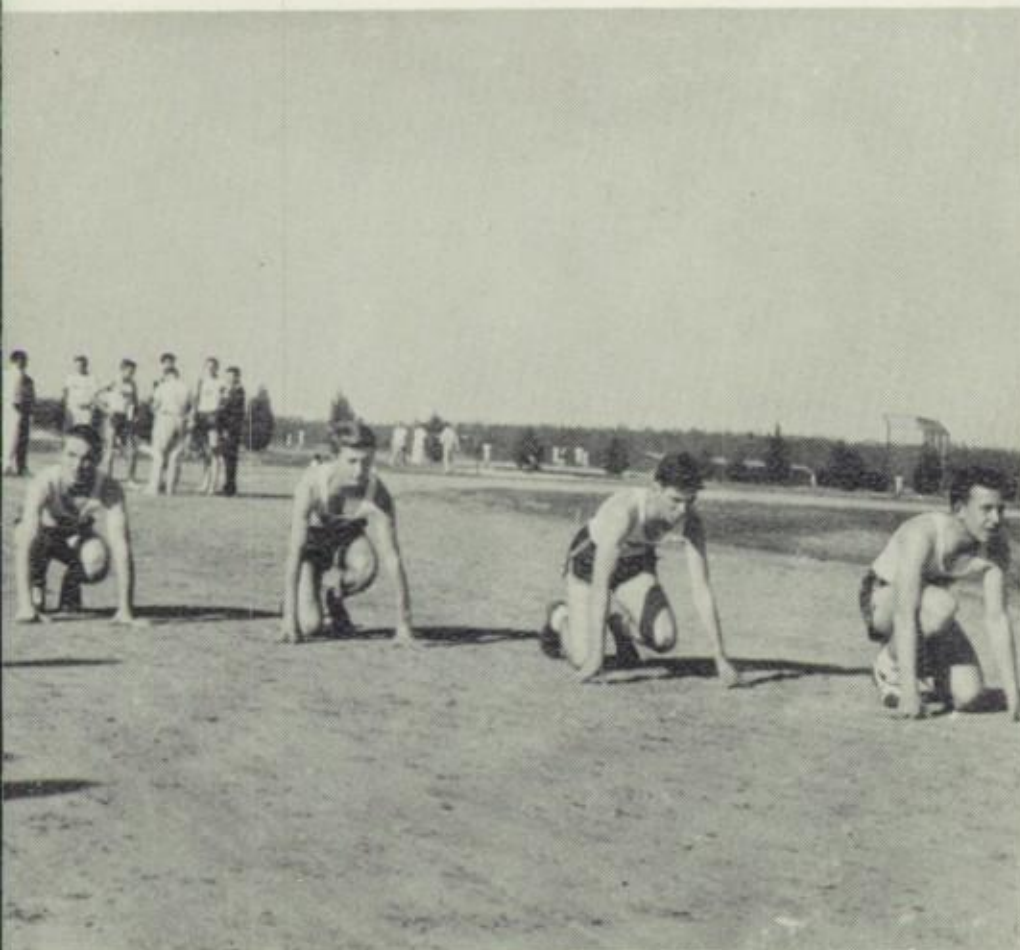
"B" RELAY TEAM

Darrell Miller, Robin Berg, Dick Lippert, Roger Baker.



"C" RELAY TEAM

Robert Merritt, Steve Black, Harold Des Jardin, Gary Gilbert.



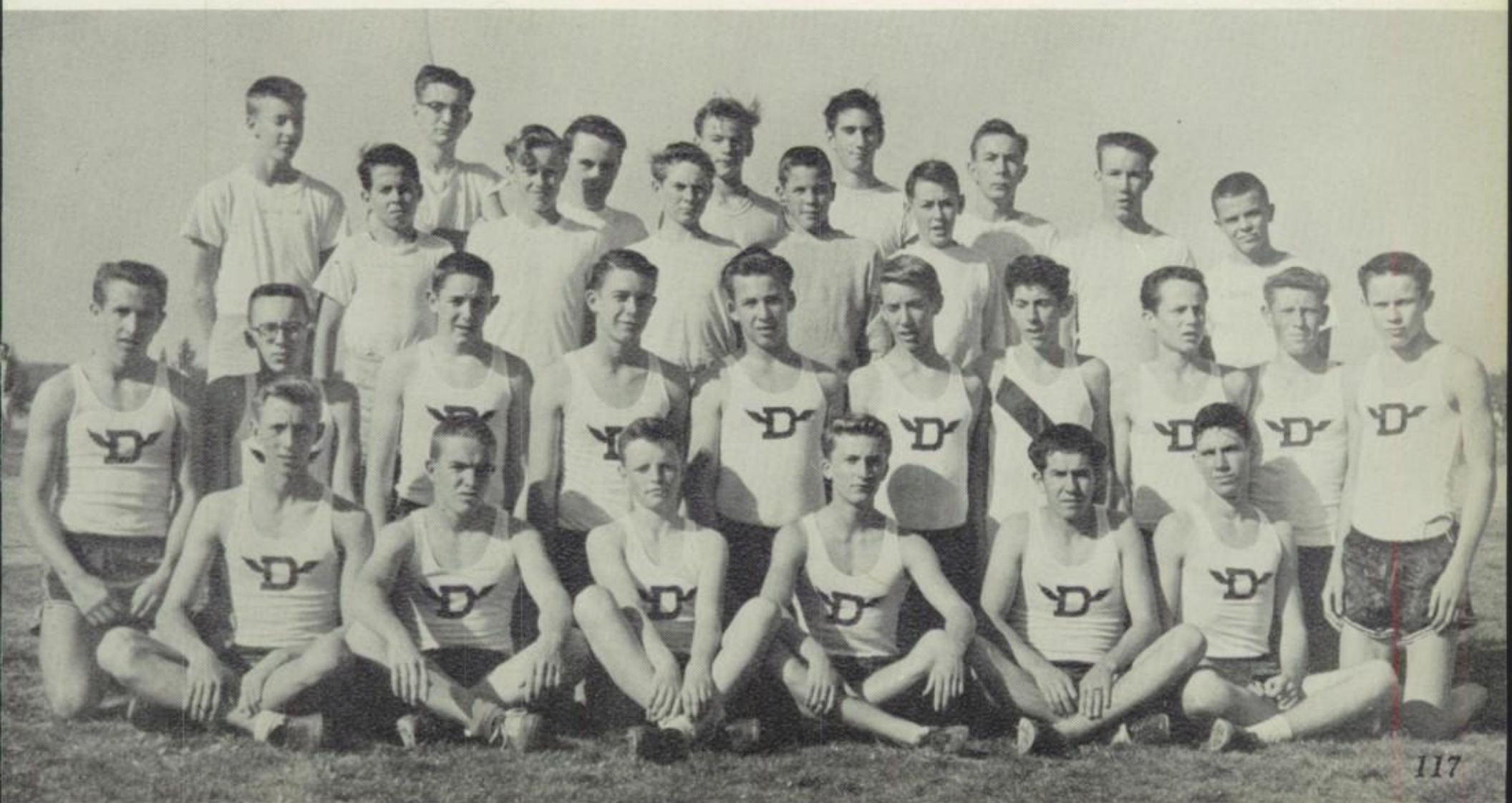
CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Larry Divichi, Leonard Burke, Jay Baker, Paul Weaver, Bill Briggs.

The Cross Country team began the fall season by training for long distance runs to be held all over the state. Team members did exceptionally well in fall meets and won numerous medals. Mr. Richard Knox trained and coached the team.

"C" TRACK TEAM

Back Row: Neil Hansen, Bill Streeter, Bob Snyder, Bob Olson, Ronald Garvey, Jerry Roberts, Don Baade. Third Row: Eddie Andres, Ronnie Hancock, Bill Powers, Steve Howell, Ron Hale, Tom Pitre. Second Row: Tom Hawkins, Bill Briggs, Mike Parsons, Rawleigh Minson, Gary Gilbert, Dick Norquist, Joe Fritz, Ronnie Jones, Talmadge Madgnes, Tom Lippert. Front Row: Eddy Bearden, Robert Merritt, Jim Conaway, Steve Black, Dick Caugham, Harold Des Jardin.



GIRLS' SPORTS

The girls at Downey participate in many sports through G. A. A. Some of these sports are: Bowling, Gym Team, Drill Team, Tennis, Golf, and Reserve Drill Team. Regular P. E. classes include such sports as: Softball, Volleyball, Badminton, Modern Dance, Body Mechanics, Soccer, Basketball, Archery, and Co-Educational Dancing.



In the midst of a close basketball game in sixth period P. E., a jump ball is called.

Body mechanics, through the construction of a new room in the girls' gym, was added to the girls' P. E. department's curriculum this year.



Badminton is now provided in the new girls' gymnasium. Peggy Smither is taking a fling at the sport.



Modern dance is given only to upper-classmen.

One of the favored of the girls' sports at Downey is volleyball. Wanda Sharp is serving a fast game in which Carrie Fluegler and Barbara Pace are participating.



Co-Educational dancing is an enjoyable and needed block, as it provides the opportunity for more girls and boys to become acquainted.

Barbara Noyes and Bonnie Rogers of a girls' tennis team exchange a hearty handshake after a rough game.



Wendy Higgins is up to bat in an exciting game of softball, while Myrna Brown, umpire, and Doris Hopelain look on.



Archery

Archery is a selected sport in the Girls' P.E. department. Only the Junior and Senior classes are allowed to take it.

Pictured at the left are: Pat Schmidt, Elaine Schuler, Karen Kilroy, and Betty Reed.



Reserve Drill Team

In the Reserve Drill Team is a large number of girls who have spent many hours practicing.

Third row: Jovinita Dieu, Karen Bishop, Marylou Schuster, Jane Schierholtz, Bonnie Wallace, Lloydell Naylor, Hazel Crowder, Rosemary Carter, Nona Benson, Diane Raney, Barbara Cameron, Judy Locano, Elizabeth Vrh, Ann Gridley. Second Row: Mary Johnson, Claudia Dietz, Penny Corish, Charmayno Christman, Loretta Stokes, Barb Vanderwall, Barbara Skinner, Kay Durfee, Nian Minini, Nancy Krier, Billie Tanson, Kay Smith. First Row: Susan Roberts, Lugene Terwilleger, Rose Rickman, Elizabeth Blunt, Sandra Murray, Norma Worley, Sandra Fritz, Jane Brandt, Barbara Bennett, Linda Gentry, and Carolyn Mark.

Advisor: Miss Steele.



Gym Team

During the year, the Girls' Gym Team performs at different schools and gives an annual assembly for the student body.

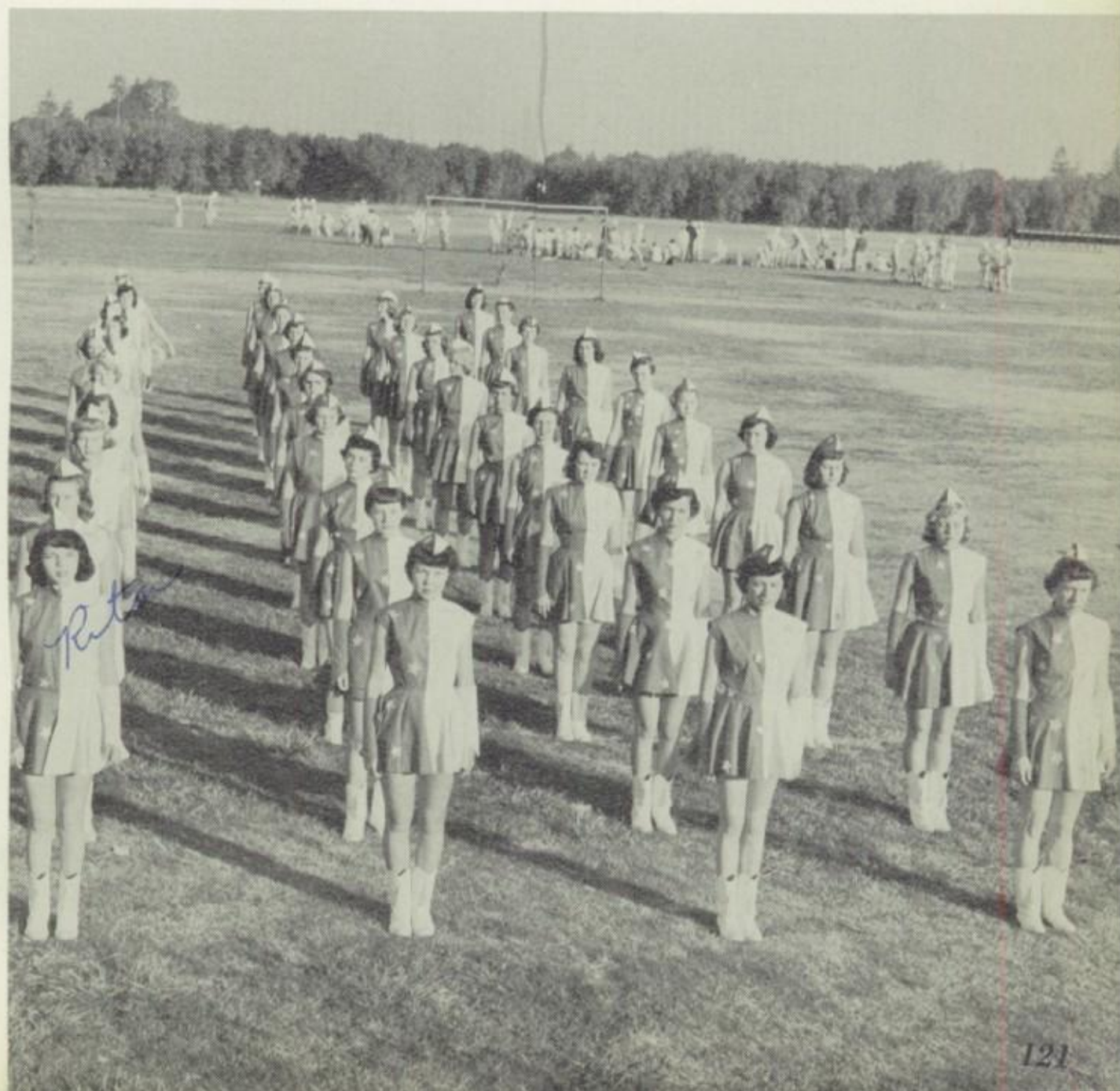
Back Row: A. Scherman, P. Merrill, M. Humphreys, N. Fernow, M. Rix, M. Styles, R. Coster. Second Row: A. Raymond, E. Schuler, F. Burkner, J. Taylor, S. Ebie, P. Walker, P. Brown, J. Dooley, J. Heaston. First Row: G. York, R. McNally, C. Del Don, M. Francis, J. Wray, J. Murphy, G. Houser, B. Noyes, B. Rogers, J. Eoff, C. Adamson. Advisor: Miss Kulina.



Drill Team

The Drill Team has put on many spectacular performances at football games in the past.

Back Row: A. Cole, C. Andres, P. O'Neal, C. Roy, B. Rogers, C. Newby, S. Lopez, P. Merrill, R. Warden, L. Fraga. Third Row: P. Mattos, S. Lipe, C. Schaffer, V. Grass, M. Francis, M. Hardie, M. Cutlip, P. Hammett. Second Row: J. Ebright, L. O'Neal, J. Packard, D. Bodes, M. Tyler, J. Baxley, H. Graser, G. Meyer, K. Crawford, A. Scherman. Front Row: R. McClintock, N. Johnson, C. Catron, D. Crane, B. Noyes, K. Ingersoll, J. Taylor, B. Grass, M. Liebrej, K. Schoefer. Advisor: Mrs. Hallett.





Seniors

If the medieval knight had faithfully attended to his duties and had done his utmost to pass his tests and obligations he was eligible to become "Sir Knight." This was the highest honor that he could attain. To become "Sir Knight" he was required to take part in certain activities.

The Thomas Downey High School knight takes part in such activities as Senior Ditch Day, the Senior Banquet, the Jr.-Sr. Prom, and Baccalaureate services.

As the final step toward becoming a "Sir Knight" he takes part in graduation, during which he receives his diploma. This diploma entitles him to all privileges of "Sir Knight" and is as significant to him as the "Golden Spurs" was to the knight of medieval time.

When the knight receives his diploma the "character-building" process is finished and he must now prove that he is worthy of the honor that has been bestowed upon him.



Carol Adamson—Home Economics
Ski Club, G. A. A., Head Majorette,
Gym Team.

Martha Allen—College Prep.
Adv. Rep., Rally, Quill Club, Hobby
Craft, French Club, C. S. F., Honor
Society.

Max Allen—T. & I.
Photo Club.



Jim Anderson—Industrial Ed.
Hi-Y Phi Beta.

Dick Anderson—English, Art
Student Council, Shield Staff, Thespians,
Curtain Callers, N. F. L., Hi-Y Phi Beta.

Myrna Arnapole—Spanish
Orchestra, Spanish Club.

Shirley Arps
College Prep.
Latin Club, C. S.
F., Honor Socie-
ty, Tri-Y Alpha
Omega.

Johnny Austin
Art
Block D.



Beverly Azevedo
Business
Drill Team, Deb-
its & Credits.

Warren Azevedo—Soc. Studies
Block D.

Frank Bailey
Art
F. F. A., Wild Life.

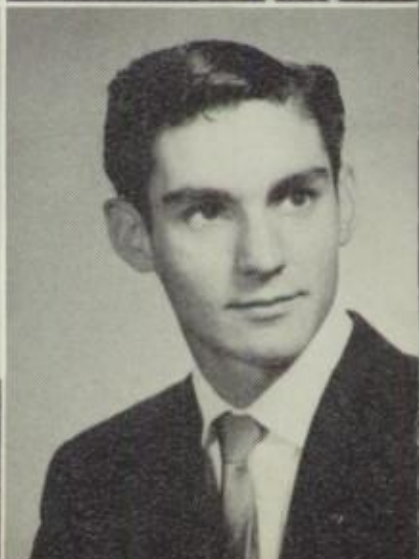
Tom Bailey
English, Soc. Studies, Math
Block D.



Robert Baird—English
Hi-Y Phi Beta, Spanish Club, Ski Club,
C. S. F., I. C. C., Rally, Adv. Rep., Cur-
tain Callers, Band.

Jay Baker—Business
Retailing Club.

Louis Bandy—Business
Hi-Y Phi Beta.



Don Baney—Business

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Latin Club, Curtain Callers.

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F. F. A.



Glenn Bauman—Business
Blue Lords, Men's Glee, Choir.

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Honor Society, F. H. A.

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Block D, Road Knights.



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Belderrain
Art**
N. F. L., D. F. L.,
French Club.



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Berbena
Industrial
Ed.**
Block D, Ath-
letic Club.

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Studies**
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D. F. L., Jr.
Statesmen, Rally.



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Honor Society, Rally, Adv. Rep., Tri-Y
Alpha Omega.

Muriel Blake—Home Economics

Clayton Bonds—Agriculture
F. F. A.



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F. F. A., Electronics Club, Road Knights.

Jimmy Boone—Business
Road Knights, Debits & Credits.

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Ski Club, Band, Pep Band.

Paul Boynton—Soc. Studies
Men's Glee, Blue Lords, Choir.

Noel Bradley—Science
Key Club, French Club, Ski Club, Wild Life.

Loretta Brady—Home Economics



Lothar Burchardt—College Prep.
German Club, Latin Club.

Richard Bowman—Music, Math
Athletic Club.

Florence Burkner—English
Student Council, Curtain Callers, Tri-Y
Alpha Omega, Press Club, Ski Club,
Choir, G. A. A., Gym Team, Adv. Rep.



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Men's Glee.

George Cadruvi
Agriculture
F. F. A.



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Phi Kappa, Spanish Club, Soph.
Class Pres.



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Home Economics
F. H. A.

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Home Economics
Debits & Credits, Reserve Drill Team,
F. H. A., G. A. A.

Magdalena Carrillo
Home Economics
F. H. A., Hobby Craft, G. A. A.



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Curtain Callers, Retailing Club



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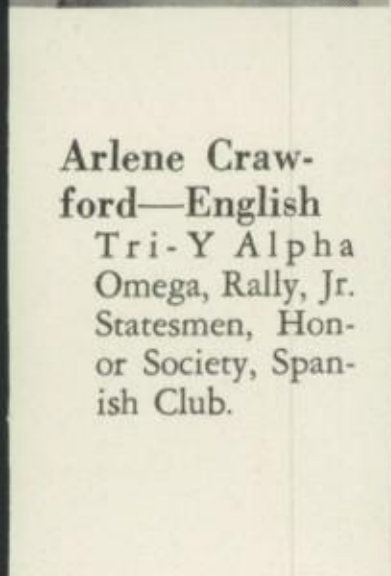
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Callers, Girls' Glee, Tri-Y Sigma Phi,
Press Club.

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G. A. A., Adv. Girls' Glee, Retailing
Club, Tri-Y Alpha Omega, Drill Team.

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Dolores Crane—Business
G. A. A., Library Club, Tri-Y Alpha
Omega, Drill Team.



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Omega, Rally, Jr.
Statesmen, Hon-
or Society, Span-
ish Club.

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Studies, Eng.
Block D, Choir.

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Rally, D. F. L.,
Latin Club.

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Drill Team.

Jack Damm—Math

Glenn Davis—Math, Science
Honor Society.





Robert Day—Math
Block D, Adv. Rep.



Helen Dean—Business
Quill Club.



Carolyn Denlinger—Home Ec.



Denny Denlis—Science, Math
Band, Chess Club.



Gary DeZorzi—Science
Golf Club, Wild Life, French Club.



Clarinda Dias—Soc. Studies
Latin Club, Adv. Girls' Glee.

Joe Dieu
Soc. Studies
Men's Glee,
Band, Block D.



Larry DiNapoli
Indus. Ed.



Sam DiNapoli
Agriculture

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C. S. F., Rally, Tri-Y Alpha Omega.

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F. F. A.

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Girls' Glee.

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Wild Life, Key Club, Hi-Y Phi Kappa,
Spanish Club, C. S. F.

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Band, Adv. Girls' Glee, G. A. A.



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Thespians, D. F. L., Gym Team, Maj-
orette, N. F. L., G. A. A., C. S. F.

Gerald Ellis—Soc. Studies

Ski Club

Terry Emerick—Soc. Studies

Golf Club, D. F. L., Key Club, Jr.
Statesmen, Library Club



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Road Knights.

Raymond Eredia—Industrial Ed.

F. F. A.

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Rally, Curtain Callers, Sophomore
Song Leader, N. F. L., D. F. L., Press
Club, Shield Staff, Adv. Rep.



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Fargundes
Business
Quill Club



Elvin Fantazia

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Wild Life, Road
Knights, Honor
Society

George Fee

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Rally, Spanish Club, Tri-Y Alpha
Omega.

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Trades & Industries
Block D

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Quill Club, Rally, Latin Club, C. S. F.,
Honor Society, Mu Eta Sigma.

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Mu Eta Sigma.

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Head Yell Leader, Jr. Class Yell Lead-
er, Student Council, Wild Life, Ski
Club, Curtain Callers, Thespians, Adv.
Rep.

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G. A. A.



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Band.

Ken Francek—Agriculture
F. F. A.

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Spanish Club, G. A. A., Tri-Y Sigma Phi,
C. S. F., Honor Society, D. F. L., N. F. L.
Jr. Statesmen, Choir.



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Society, Wild Life.

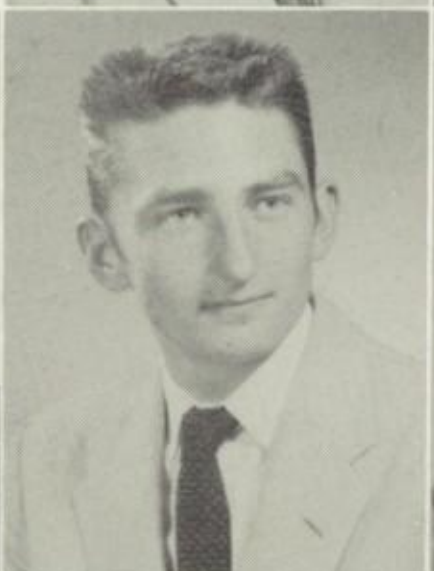


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Block D, Band.

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Sigma Phi, Ski
Club, Spanish
Club.



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Block D, Rally



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Road Knights

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Honor Society.

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Road Knights, Adv. Rep.



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Tri-Y Alpha Omega, G. A. A., Rally,
Italian Club.

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Romano Gnusti—Math
Wild Life, Athletic Club, Block D.



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Club.



Richard Goodwill—Math
Library Club, Latin Club.



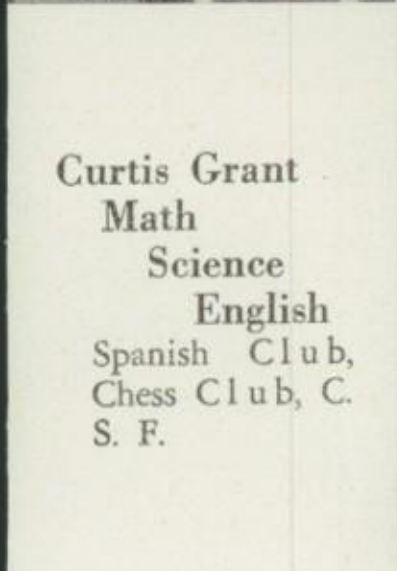
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Road Knights



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French Club, Latin Club, Adv. Girls'
Glee.



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I. C. C., Wild Life, C. S. F., Hi-Y Phi
Beta, Student Council, Honor Society.



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Science
English
Spanish Club,
Chess Club, C.
S. F.



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Business
Library Club, F.
H. A., G. A. A.,
Drill Team, Hon-
or Society, Quill
Club.



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Business
G. A. A.



Norman Green—Soc. Studies
Key Club, C. S. F., Latin Club, Blue Lords.

Genevieve Gregory—Business
Choir, Retailing Club.

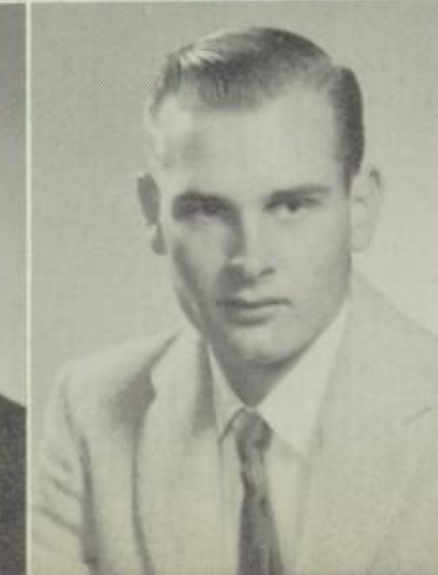
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Norman Grube—Soc. Studies
Band, F. F. A.

Bill Hamilton—Business
Wild Life, Retailing Club.





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Library Club, F. H. A.



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Ski Club, Radio Club.



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Quill Club, Retailing Club.



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William Hunter—Soc. Studies
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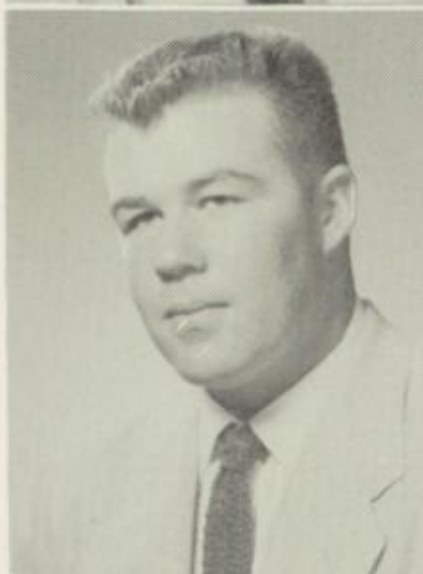
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Club, German
Club, Royal
Scroll, Spanish
Club.



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Ski Club, Tri-Y
Alpha Omega,
Adv. Rep.,
Knights' Herald
Staff, Royal
Scroll, Spanish
Club.



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Graphic Arts
Club.



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Athletic Club.



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Blue Lords, Choir, Men's Glee.



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Pep Band, Band.



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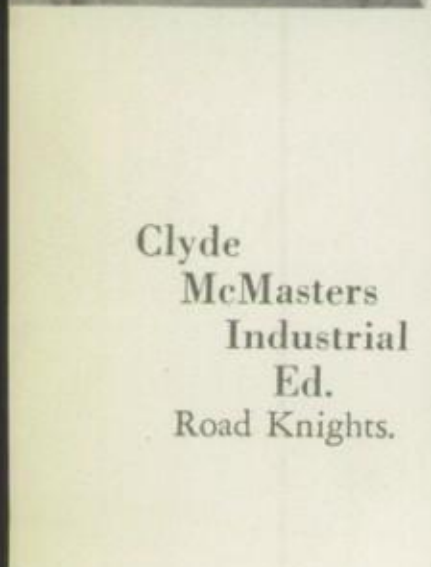
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S. F. Jr. Statesmen.



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Ski Club, Choir, Jr. Statesmen, Tri-Y
Sigma Phi, Curtain Callers, Thespians,
C. S. F.



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Choir, Men's Glee.



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Road Knights.



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Ski Club, Gym
Team, Curtain
Callers.



Ruth McNally
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Carl Maples—Industrial Ed.
Wood Guild.

Roy Marlow—Agriculture
F. F. A.



Artie Mayhood—Business

Curtain Callers, Retailing Club, Choir.

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C. S. F., Honor Society, Drill Team, Spanish Club, Choir, G. A. A.

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F. H. A., Adv. Girls' Glee, G. A. A., Quill Club.

Virginia Miller—Business

Ski Club.



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Home

Ec.

Quill Club, G. A. A.



Fay Moore

Science

Language

Spanish Club, Ski Club, C. S. F., Rally.



Mario

Morganti

Language

Chess Club, Athletic Club, Spanish Club.



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Quill Club, G. A. A.

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Ski Club.

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Rep.

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Knights.



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Tri-Y Kappa
Gamma, Quill
Club, Rally, G.
A. A.

Ronald O'Mara
Trades & In-
dustries



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F., Tri-Y Alpha
Omega, Quill
Club, Rally, Adv.
Rep., I. C. C.



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F., Drill Team.

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Block D.



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C. S. F.

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Wild Life, Band, Road Knights.

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Quill Club, Choir.



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Science Club.



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Band, C. S. F., Quill Club.



Patricia Pearson—Business
Choir.



Gary Pemberton—College Prep.



Florence Perine—Home Economics
Curtain Callers, Rally, G. A. A., Adv.
Rep.



Florence Perino—Business

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Art
French Club, G.
A. A., Student
Court, Rally,
Adv. Rep.



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Pimentel
Business
Retailing Club,
F. H. A.



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Industrial
Ed.
Road Knights.



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Road Knights.

Phyllis Powers
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F. H. A.



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Golf Club, Globe Travelers.



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Leader, Student Council, I. C. C.



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F. F. A.

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Golf Club, Horseman's Club, C. S. F.,
F. H. A.





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A., Reserve Drill, Shield Staff, Knight's
Herald Staff, Golf Club, Adv. Rep.

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Society, Spanish Club, Student Council.



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Y Alpha Omega, Ski Club, Honor
Society, Spanish Club.

Gilleta Rhodes—Business
G. A. A., Band, Retailing Club.

Robert Richardson—Industrial Ed.

Betty Risner—Business
Quill Club

**Judith
Roberts**
Math
Band, Choir, G.
A. A., Ski Club.



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Robinson**
Art

**Pepper
Robinette**
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Ed.
Block D, Rally,
Adv. Rep., Soph.
Class Vice Pres.

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F. H. A., Quill Club.
Francine Rossi—English
Ski Club, G. A. A., Tri-Y Alpha Omega,
Curtain Callers.



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Road Knights.
Doris Russell—College Prep.
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S. F., Honor Society, Ski Club, Rally.
Ronald Rux—Industrial Ed.
Athletic Club, Block D.



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Hobby Craft.

Rufus Santos—Business
Block D.

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Ski Club, Jr. Statesmen, Royal Scroll,
Choir, Adv. Rep.

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Drill Team, Rally, Thespians.

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C. S. F., Honor Society, Student Council,
Shield Editor, Gym Team.

Kent Schuler—Agriculture
F. F. A., Wild Life, C. S. F.



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I. C. C., C. S. F.,
Rally, G. A. A.,
French Club, Ski
Club, Horse-
men's Club, N.
F. L., D. F. L.,
Thespians, Cur-
tain Callers, Adv.
Rep., Honor So-
ciety.



**Vincent
Sereno**
Industrial
Ed.
C. S. F., Road
Knights.



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Shafer**
Science
D. F. L., G. A.
A., Science Club,
French Club,
Latin Club, Drill
Team, C. S. F.



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Block D, Athletic Club, Road Knights.

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C. S. F., French Club, Press Club, Stu-
dent Council, N. F. L., Knights' Herald
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Mu Eta Sigma.

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Curtain Callers, Adv. Girls' Glee, Rally,
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F. F. A.

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Library Club, G. A. A., Historical Society.



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F. H. A., Quill Club.

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French Club, F. H. A., G. A. A., Curtain Callers.

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F. F. A.

Leroy Stephens—Industrial Ed.
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Carl Stevens—Industrial Ed.

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Mike Stout—Soc. Studies
Retailing Club.





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Team, Mu Eta Sigma, Chess Club.



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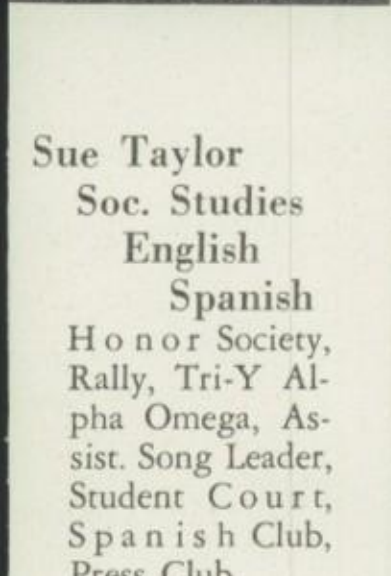
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Jack Taylor—Math
Wild Life.



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Student Court,
Spanish Club,
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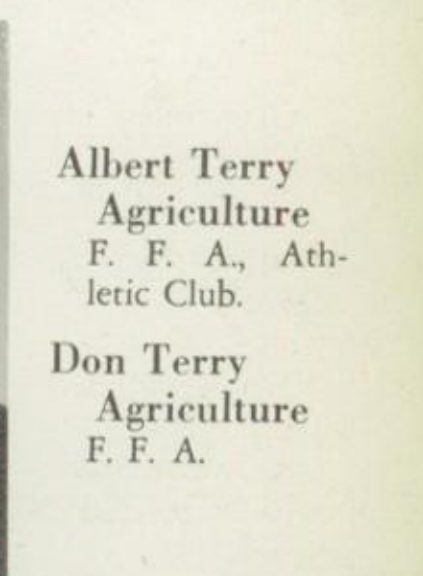
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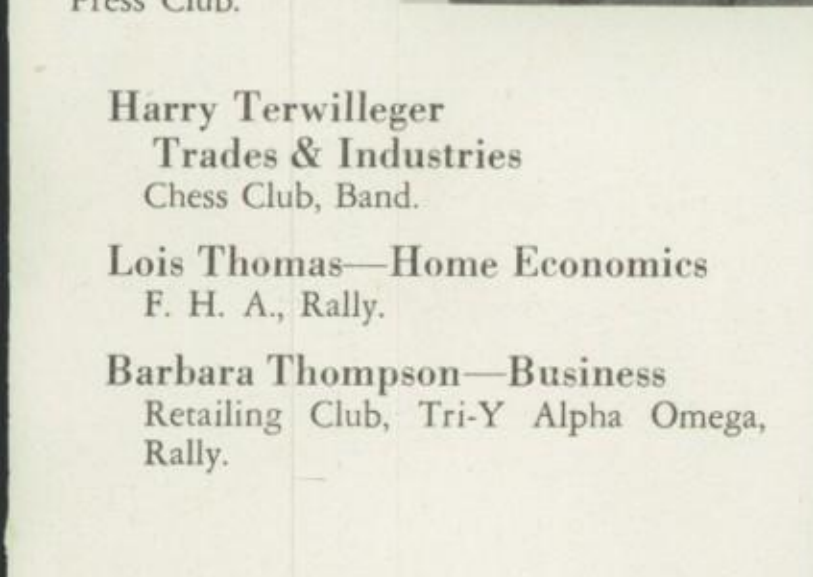
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F. F. A.



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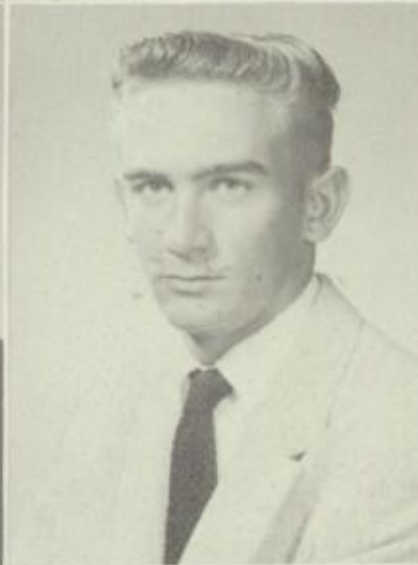
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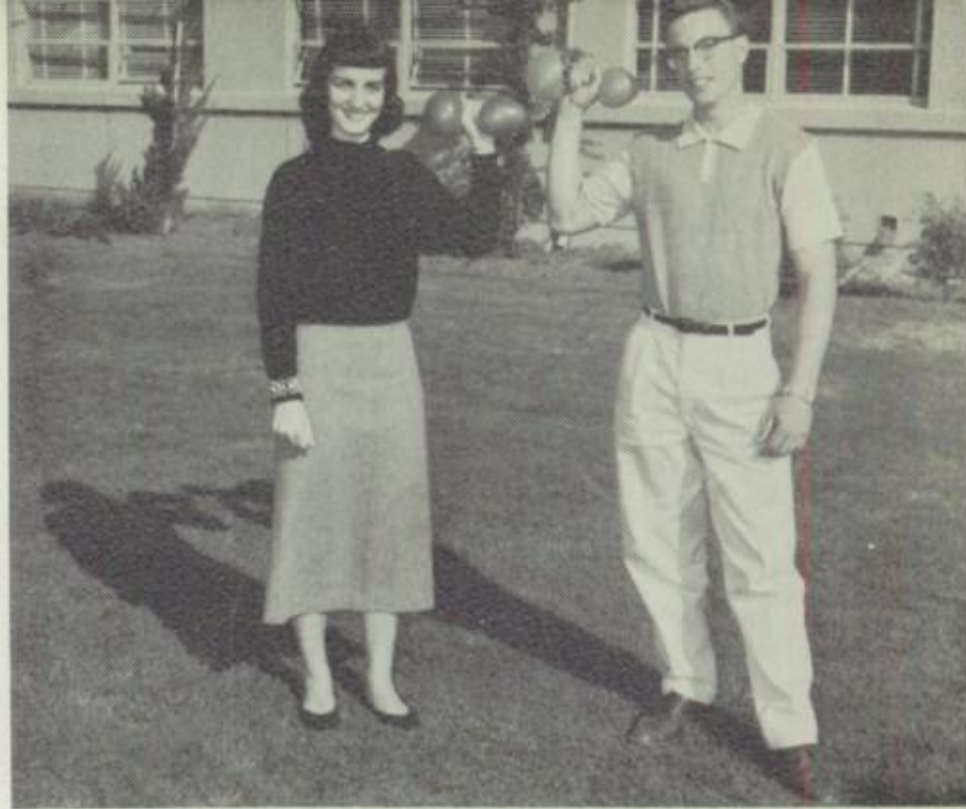
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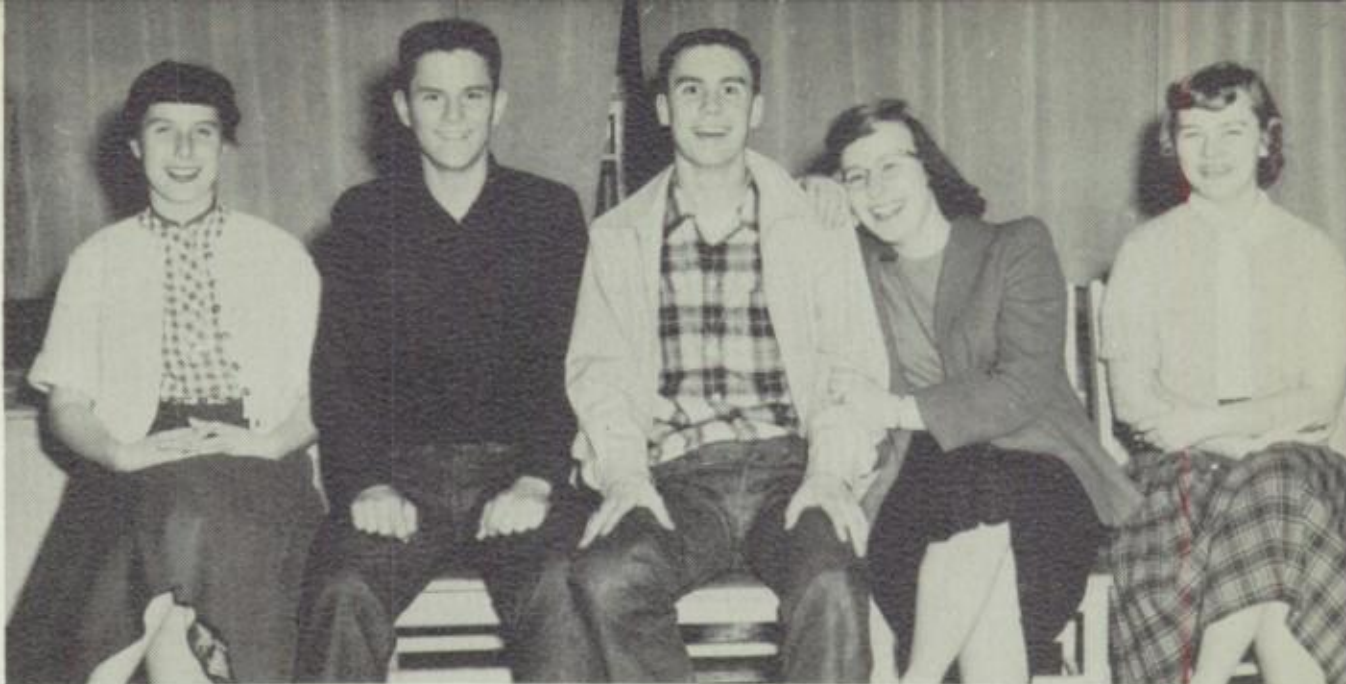
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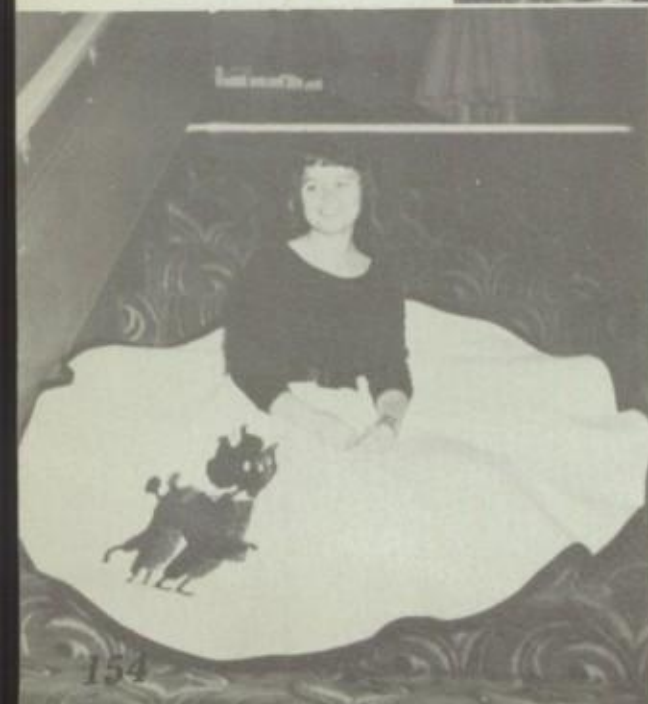
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lots of

Dear -
It's been fun
having classes with
you since we've been in
high school. I hope we have
some more together next year.
Have fun this summer.
Ralph Nobles
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Dear -
It's been so
much fun having
you in my classes
these past 2 years.
Remember English
in our Freshman
year? Boy we got
away with Murder
in that class
you seen real
fun in English
this year. (p. 1)

Time! you've all the
a brain I hope
you have all
the luck in
the world which

isn't free much.

Be good and

front board

Good

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Dural -
It sure has been
a lot of fun having classes this
year. We sure pulled a
lot of first ones over on all
those teachers at Downey.
You have been one of the
nicest gang I have to keep our friendship
and I hope to all the best in the
world.
Love your Buddy
Steve LaComme

- Dural -
 We've had a
 big day in Spanish
 this year and last.
 But, it looks like I
 am going to some of
 that God damned stuff. I
 hope I see you this summer
 when you are picking peaches
 and I will show you future
 lots of lush in your future
 years at Dorney.
 - Wilbev -
 "5" "F"

O. I want to keep our bird
 B. I want to keep our bird
 To a nest of eggs
 In my gym bag to
 Leave and go to
 from quarter
 every quarter
 a good sport





